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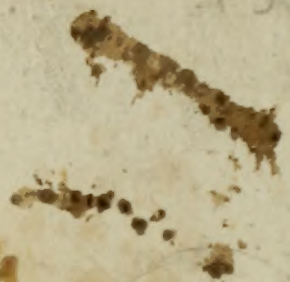

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Roster of Field Officers

Names	Date of Commission	Officers of the Day						
Colonels	Rank	March	April	May	June	July	Augt	Sept
John Durkee	Augt 5th/76							
Herman Swift	Jan 1/77							
Sam B Webb	Jan 1/77							
Zebulon Butler	Mar 13/78							
Jaa Sherman								
Lieut Colonels	Rank	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept
Jaa Sherman	Dt Col Commandt Octo 22/77							
Thos Grosvenor	Lt Col Mar 13/78							
Jonathan Johnson	May 25th/78							
Ebenr Huntington	Nov 10th/78							
Ebenr Gray	Nov 15th/78							
Majors	Rank	March	April	May	June	July	Augt	Sept
Theodore Woodbridge	Feb 10/78							
David Smith	March 13th/78							
Benja Throop	May 1st/78							
John D Wyllys	Nov 10th/78							
Willm Clift	Nov 15/78							
Abner Prior	Aug 23/80							

Roster	General Court Martial						Detachm.ts					Furlo.s					Fatigue				
Colonels	M	Ap	May	J	J	A	M	A	M	J	A	M	A	J	J	A	M	A	J	D	J
John Durkee																					
Herman Swift				25																	
Sam.l B Webb																					
Zebulon Butler																					
Lieu.t Colonels	M	A	M	J	J	A	M	A	M	J	A	M	A	J	J	A	M	A	J	D	J
Isaac Sherman Esq.r																					
Tho.s Grosvenor																					
Jon.th Johnson		22																			
Eben.r Huntington																					
Eben.r Gay																					
Majors	M	A	M	J	J	A	M	A	M	J	A	M	A	J	J	A	M	A	J	D	J
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Wm. Clift																					
Abner Dwight	25		2 4						16												

Division Orders March 5th 1781

The General Court Martial of which Major Wyllys is President the 3 instant tried Joseph Piny & Elijah Pixley of the 5th Regiment for Desertion found them guilty & & sentenced them each to receive 100 Lashes on his naked Back — the same Court on the 4th instant tried Samuel Smith of the 5th Regim.t for repeated Desertion found him guilty & sentenced him to receive 100 Lashes on his naked Back at three several Days successively 40 Lashes the 1st Day & thirty each Day succeeding — also James Wright & Thomas Wallaps of the 2d Reg.t for Desertion The Court acquitt Wallaps of the Charge & from the particular Circumstances of Wright recommend him for Pardon — The same Court tried John Bogart an Artificer & follower of the Army Timothy Stevens & Cadiah Brown & Francis Wright of the 1st Regiment & Jack Freeman of the 3d Reg.t for Unfaithfulness on Century & stealing public Clothing while under

under their particular Charge or the Charge of some of the

The Court find John Bogart guilty of Stealing & delivering out Several Articles Jack Freeman & Timothy Stevens of receiving — The Court find no Evidence against Obadiah Brown & Francis Wright therefore acquit them & do sentence John Bogart to receive sixty six Lashes, Jack Freeman 50 & Timothy Stevens 50 on their naked Backs & pay for six Linnen Shirts & four pair of Hose among them to be equally divided by proper Stoppages from their Pay —

Col° Durkee Command° approves of the Sentences of the Court & orders them put in Execution tomorrow Morning at Troop Beating at the Head of their respective Regiments to which they belong & that of John Bogart at the Head of the 1st Reg° The Case of James Wright the Col° is pleased to Pardon him & remits 50 Lashes of the Sentence against Pixley & Samuel Smith to receive 40 Lashes tomorrow Morning & thirty Lashes on each the next succeeding — —

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Head Quarters West Point March 8th 1781

All the Troops are to be served with One Gill of Rum each
a Day — The Officers of the Day the Officers of all Guards
the Barrack Master & the Officers in general are requested to
pay every particular Attention no Injury is done to the
Barracks, Ovens, Platforms Pickets Traverses or any other
Property this is an Object of so much Importance & the present
Situation of Things are such as require uncommon Attention &
Exertions —

Division Orders March 8th 1781 —

The General Court Martial of which Major Wyllys is Presid.
will sit tomorrow Morning 9 o'Clock to try such
Prisoners as may come before them —

1 Serg.t & 3 Men to be paraded early tomorrow Morning to go to
Fishkill —

Head Quarters West Point thursday 9th of 81

The Commanding Officer of the several Corps are requested to make a very particular Inquiry in their respective Corps for Coopers & such persons as are acquainted with Hooping & Trimming Casks & send such as they find to the Garrison Store for the purpose of immediately Hooping & Trimming the Provision Casks

The Garrison D.M.S. & Commissary will please to see that the Provision & other Stores for the Defence in the several Works are immediately compleated & properly secured — the Officers who have the Defence of particular Works assigned to them will please to attend to this Business & afford such assistance as may be necessary if in their Power & if not apply to the D.A.G. for a general Fatigue —

The General can not but express a Surprize & Indignation at the almost daily Reports he receives from one Place and another of public Property being plundered by the very Persons

who are entrusted to preserve it — In Armies where many are addicted to Thefts — Property committed to Guards & Sentinels is held sacred & safe, and how a Defect in this important Point can in any Degree have infected the most virtuous Army in the World is astonishing — whatever is committed to a Guard or Sentinals is supposed to be perfectly safe & that he or they who have Charge of it will sooner part with their Lives than allow it to be taken from them or injured, The Obligation of Faithfulness enjoins that they do not waste or embezzle it themselves — The General desires that the Officers of all Ranks of the Day & of Guards in particular will constantly inculcate that Faithfulness which is the incumbent Duty and Characteristick of a good Soldier; if after all any should in future be so lost to a Sense of Duty & their own Honor as well as the Reputation & good of the Service they may expect the most exemplary Punishment

Garrison Order March 9th 1781

The Commandant at the Redoubts Constitution Island &c
&c relieved tomorrow Morning. To take the 6th Day Guard
& parade at 11 O Clock

The General Court Martial of which Major Wyllys is
President this Day tried Daniel Dakins of the late 2d
Connecticut Regt for Desertion. The Court on Consideration
of the Recommendation of his Excellency Governor Trumbull
do recommend the Prisoner for a Pardon of his Desertion &
adjudge him to serve fourteen Months Time due on his
former Inlistment & then three years the Term of his late Inlistment
the whole four years & two Months to begin the 21st of December 1780

The Comd.g Commandg approves the Sentence of the Court & is
pleased to pardon the Prisoners Desertion — he is to be
released from Confinement

Details	Sub	Sergt	Drum	D
	2	2	5	37
	1	3	4	81

Distribution

	Sub	Sergt	C	D
Redoubts	1	2	4	24
Forage	1	1	1	12
Hospital			1	5
Barracks	0	1	1	18
Constitution	1	1	2	

Head Quarters West Point March 10th 1781

All Inhabitants coming to the Point in Boats or small Craft with Marketing &c are to report themselves to Capt. Buchanan who will examine them & certify their Characters they are also to inform him when they are ready to return & he will permit them to do after examining the Boats to see that they have no Articles of Public Property on Board

The Garrison Officer will see that a proper Place is prepared immediately for the Armourer to clean the Arms lodged in their Hands of the Commissary of military Stores

Under present Circumstances no Furloughs are to be granted

Head Quarters West Point March 12th 1781

The greatest Attention is to be paid to the Drilling & forming the Recruits they are to be taken out twice a Day when the Weather is fair

A Battalion of the Old Troops to be formed daily from the Three Brigades in the Garrison and as strong as the Men off Duty will furnish to exercise & manoeuvre in fair Weather — The Brigadiers are to

Battalion care also to exercise & manoeuvre daily the greatest Care is to be taken to perfect the Troops in every part of their Duty, The General is informed that there is a very unequal Issue of Rum from some of the Stores all Issues of Rum are to be strictly conformable to the Orders of his Excellency the Commander in Chief of the 25th. of Augt. last ——

The greatest Vigilance is to be inculcated on the Guards & Sentinals the Latter are to be so placed, as to prevent any Injury being done to the Works Piquets or Abbatis especially at Fort Clinton where the Officer of the Day is desired to direct as may be necessary if the Garrison D.M.C. has not furnished the different Works on both Sides the River with Water Casks he will please to do it without Delay ——

A General Court Martial to set Tomorrow Morning 9 o'Clock at the Court Martial Room Lieut Col. Millan to preside two Captains or Subs from the Connecticut Seven Captains from the Massachusetts Line two from the New Hampshire Brigade Nine Captains or Subalterns from the Artilery to attend as Members

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Division Orders March 12th 1781—

The Officers of the Connecticut Line are notified to exhibit their Accompts to the Pay Masters of their respective Regiments of the Sums of Money they have received & the Time when for Clothing or in Lieu of Clothing the Year past attested by them in order that the same may be made up regimentally and transmitted to the Committee of Settlement at Weathersfield by Thursday next— The same Number of Fatigue Men from each Brigade tomorrow as this Day to repair the Way to Fishkill Road

After General Orders West Point March 12th 1781—

One hundred & Rank & File properly Officered from Col. Van Schaicks Brig & fifty from the Brigade commanded by Col. Greene to be ready to march early tomorrow Morning with two Days Provision Majr Graham to command the Detachment he will call at Head Quarters for Instructions

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Head Quarters West Point March 13th 1781

When the Recruits are not to do Duty with Arms until they are properly drilled, they are to be immediately armed accoutred & furnished with Amunition - In Case of Alarm the Majority of the general Corps (except such Corps as are reserved) are to be armed - The General recommends the same to the Officers which will greatly encrease the Means of Defence in the Works -

If any Thing heretofore ordered to be done in any of the Works to put them in proper Condition for instant Defence is yet incomplete it is to be instantly attended to. Whether it be in the Department of the Commissary D.M.G. or Officer to whom the Defence of the Works are assigned

Head Quarters West Point March 14th 1781 -

Colo. Alexander Scammell having resigned the Office of Adjutant General of the Armies of the United States. The General in the Absence of his Excellency the Commander in Chief can not omit publickly to express the high sense

He entertains of the Conduct of Colonel Scammell in the Discharge of that important Office in which he has exhibited a Zeal & Fidelity & Address honorary to himself & highly beneficial to his Country ——

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to appoint Brigadier General Hand Adjt. General of the Armies of the united States of America he is to be obeyed & respected accordingly ——

All Noncommissioned Officers Soldiers & Inhabitants within the Garrison are to be at their Quarters at Tattoo if any Noncommiss.d Officer Soldier or Inhabitant is found passing any Guard or Sentinal after Tattoo they are to be stopped & sent to the Officer of the nearest Guard for examination

The Sentinals on all Posts are to be very alert & challenge briskly & at a proper Distance & to allow no Person to pass them without complying with the Rules of Discipline

The Officers at the Fascines are to be punctually critical in their

their Observations who proceed in adherence to the Instructions which have been given them ——

One Gill of Rum per man to be Issued to all the Troops this Day.

Head Quarters West Point March 15th 1781 —

One Hundred & fifty Rank & File under the Command of a Field Officer to Parade tomorrow Morning and Troops Cooking with three days Provision for Command

	Regt	Lt Col	Maj	Capt	Subs	Serj	Corp	Drum	Priv
Connecticut Line	2	2	2	2	2	27			
1st	1		1	1	1	15			
2d	1		1	1	1	12			

Division Orders March 16th 1781 —

Commanding Officers of Regiments are desired to make a Return of the Names of the Officers & Men who have been transferred to the Corps of Invalids from the 1st of June 1778 to the present Day & since January 1st 1777 this Return to be made by Wednesday next.

Head Quarters West Point March 16th 1781 —

The small Pox being at Fishkill New Windsor Newburgh and other Places in the Vicinity of this Post such of the Troops as have not had that Disemper are cautioned to be very careful how they go on

in the Way of the Inspection. Persons coming from infected Houses are forbid coming into the Garrison —

A Return of the Provision, Water Casks &c in the Several Works on both Sides the River to be laid before the General Tomorrow at Orderly Time —

Head Quarters West Point March 18th 1781 —

The Commanding Officers of Corps who have the Defence of Works assigned to them are desired to take immediate Measures to have the respective works cleared of all Rubbish Chips Straw Dirt & Filth & have every thing placed in a proper Manner that Order & Cleanliness as well as Strength may be exhibited there other convenient Places best offensive to the Troops assigned the Works as the Weather grows warmer should be prepared and the Men enjoined Decency therein & it will be proper to lodge a small Quantity of small Wood for Cooking in or under the Command of the respective Works — An exact Return of all the Arms & Accoutrements in Possession of each Regiment to be given in immediately — all

Flaws

Issues of Arms & Accoutrements for the Recruits to be made & charged strictly conformable to the Order heretofore mentioned particular Care is to be taken that the Men use Cases of Wood properly made & fixed instead of Flints when at Exercise —

Division Orders March 18th 1781 —

The General Court Martial of which Major Wyllys is President will sit tomorrow Morning 9 O Clock any Members Absent from their Places will be supplied to try such Prisoners as shall come before them —

Division Orders March 19th 1781 —

One Gill of Rum per Man to be delivered the Troops this Day

Head Quarters West Point March 19th 1781

All the Armourers belonging to the Massachusetts Line to be sent to the General Shop back of the Joyners employed in Lower Barracks that they may be in readiness to be delivered to the Recruits

If any of the Brigade Conductors have Arms & Accoutrements

on Hand more than by the Regulations they are immediately to make a Return of them to the Commissary of Military Stores

Tried at the General Court Martial whereof Lieut Col° Mellan is President John Hadley & James Thomas of the 7th Massachusetts Reg° & John Cadley of the 1st New Hampshire for Desertion found guilty & Sentenced to receive 100 Lashes on their naked Backs Ephraim Blood & Ezra Downer Soldiers tried at the same Court for Desertion Blood is found guilty & sentenced to receive 50 Lashes on his naked Back the Court are of Opinion the Charge against Downer is not supported tried at the same Court Boston Wellier for attempting Prisoners in his Charge to Escape found not guilty ——

The General approves of the forgoing Opinions & Sentences & orders them put in Execution at the Head of the Regiment to which they respectively belong ———

Head Quarters West Point March 20th 1781 —

A Letter from General Green of the 28th ult° — dated at Hillsborough Ford Haw River advises that Lord Cornwallis had retreated from Hillsborough & that General Pickens & Lieut Col° Lee had fallen in with Col°

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Col.o Hamilton Corps consisting of 200 & has killed & taken
almost every Individual Inveral successful Skirmishes has
happened but nothing decisive — Lord Cornwallis has erected
what they call the Royal Standard at Hillsborough & issued a
new Proclamation as usual —

By Later Accounts from New York it appears that the English
have declared War against the united States of Holland &
in her Possession of the Island of St Eustatia — thus do
imperious Britain bring on her haughty Head the Reflections
of the Nations & probably hasten her own Destruction —

Ebany Meach & Justis Starkham tried at the General Court
Martial where of Lieu.t Col.o Mellar is President for Desertion
found guilty & sentenced to run the Gauntlope — The running the
Gauntlope being an indeterminate Mode of Punishment not
authorised by any Article of War & repugnant to the Spirit of not
the Letter of the 3 Article 18.th Section & of the Articles of War &c

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general disapproves of the foregoing Sentence —

Head Quarters West Point March 21st 1781 —

The daily Arrival of the Recruits from the Eastward renders the Barracks too crouded for the Convenience or Comfort of the Troops —

The New Hampshire Regiments are to retain to their own Huts but in case of Alarm are to march are to march with all possible Expedition to the Post The Rhode Island Regiment is to remain in the Garrison untill further Orders, they are to be attached to the 1st Massachusetts Brigade —

The General observes that some of the Men are without Bayonets The Commanding Officers of Regiments will please to see that in every particular the Arms are compleat & fit for in this important offensive as well as defensive Weapon —

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Division Orders March 21st 1781 —

The General Court Martial of which Major Hyatt was President the 20th instant for the John Starke Aaron Starke & Isaac Cooper Soldiers of the 1st Connecticut Regiment for Desertion to which Charge the Prisoners pleaded not guilty — The Court on Consideration of the Evidence for and against them are of Opinion that Isaac Cooper is not guilty & that John Starke & Aaron Starke are both guilty & do Sentence them John Starke to receive 100 Lashes & Aaron Starke 50 Lashes on their naked Backs

Col° Commandg Durkee approves the Opinion & Sentence of the Court & orders them put in Execution this Morning at Troop Beating at the Head of the Brig to which they belong is — Isaac Cooper to be released from Confinement

The Commanding Officer of Artificers & Carpenters is desired to be ready to receive Orders To-morrow Morning

Thomas

	Lieut	£	s	d
Ca	A 2	2	5	36
	B 1	2	4	29
		4	9	65

Distribution

	Lieut	£	s	d
Redoubts	1	2	4	24
Ferry	1	1	1	12
Hospital	0	0	1	6 — South Ferry
Contravallation	1	1	2	18
forth	0	0	1	5
		3	9	65

Division Orders, March 23d 1781 —

Capt Lieut Timothy Hagan of the 3d Connecticut Regt is appointed Captain in the same vice Capt Roger Alden resigned the 10th Inst. His Rank to be obeyed & reputed accordingly. —

Detachment of Drum for Main to be formed into Troops Tomorrow —

Head Quarters New Windsor March 22d 1781 —

The Commander in Chief having arrived from Rhode Island assumed the Command of the Army approves the Orders issued by General Heath & thanks him for his great Attention to the Security of the Post intrusted to his Care

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to make the following Appointment —

In Congress January 8th 1781 — Congress proceeded to the Election of an Adjutant General & the Ballots being taken Brigadier General Howard was declared to be duly appointed &c &c

Orderly Book

Head Quarters Tuesday

The Resignation has been for some time accepted having been received by Brigadier Gen. Hand in the absence of the General. He cannot suffer him to retire from an Office in which he has distinguished himself so meritoriously without expressing an intire Approbation of his Conduct & requesting him to accept the Thanks to which he is justly entitled.

Garrison Orders March 2d 1781.

The Honorable the general Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at their last Session were pleased to pass sundry Resolutions for ascertaining the Value of the Paper Currency provided for the Payment of the Public Debt & establishing the Public Credit in an honorable just & permanent Basis.

Copy of an Address from the Senate & Assembly & the Inhabitants of the State & some other Resolutions are sent to each brigade. The Resolutions with two Letters from the Committee of the Army & the General Quarter Master of them are to be taken by

of a Massachusetts Brigade by Commanding Officers of the respective Brigades communicated to their Troops— The General requests a Strict as speedy a Compliance with these Instructions as possible— on the whole The General congratulates the Troops of the Commonwealth on the present fair prospect of their speedy Adjustment & Payments of their Notes & Wages in a Way & on Principles which he flatters himself will be Satisfactory to them

Sixty Rank & File properly officered with two Days Provision are to parade tomorrow Morning at Mattican are all the Able Bodied Men from the Connecticut Line as granted with Paying Stone to all are to be sent to Col. Hughes at Fishkill

Connecticut Line Detail 1 1 1 12 for Command ——

Head Quarters New Windsor March 23 1781

At a General Court Martial held by Order of the Excellency at Springfield the 1st Instant Col. Shepard President Wm Lee Soldier & Commissary Military Stores was tried on the following Charges viz. 1st For defrauding the public of a Quantity of Salt Fish & employing a Person to receive the same in

of the Property and became his Name unknown and
to sell the Sloop Jefferson and Cargo and Embezzle the Money
for the Benefit
That during the Voyage and before the Arrival
of the Orders given him and carrying out of the said Sentence
endeavouring to make his Escape was punished by every Method
possible in his Power and did his utmost Endeavour to get
Drink on board for which he was punished
That for breaking open Letters & Packets of Public Stores or
public Papers and carrying them off with him & secreting them

The Court after serious & mature Deliberation on the Case of
Mr Jacob Cottom are unanimous in Opinion that he is guilty
of the two first Charges exhibited against him Viz. a Breach
of the 1st Article 6th Section of the Articles of War
And that he is not answerable to the Act of Congress of the
29th of Sept. 1781 not having published at the Time he Committed
the Misdemeanor he is to forfeit all the Pay due to him from
the United States & make Restitution to the United States for all
the Damage they may have sustained in the Execution of the

be rendered me incapable of holding any Office under the United States. That he serve on Board a Continental Ship of War during the present Contest with Great Britain & that his Name Crime & punishment be published in the Public Prints. —

The Commander in Chief confirms the Sentence of the Court & orders it to be carried into Execution. —

Sunday March 25th 1781 Division Orders

Mr Phinehas Bedworth appointed an Ensign in the 4th Connecticut Regt (but not being incorporated or arranged in either of the Regiments on the new formation the 1st of January last) is now directed to do that Duty in the 5th Regiment & to be obeyed & respected accordingly. —

A General Court Martial to sit tomorrow morning 10 o'Clock at the President's Quarters for the Trial of such Prisoners as shall be ordered before them. Maj. Brooks President Capt. Hubbard from the 1st Brigade & 2 Capt. & Subs from the 2d Brigade Maj. Burnet to attend as Judge Advocate. —

Garrison Order Monday March 26th 1781 —

Inquiry is to be made in the Several Lines for Men acquainted with Clearing Rackes if any are found their Names are to be given in to the Serjeant Major as soon as possible

Garrison Orders March 26th 1781

Capt Dearborn thinks it necessary to remind the Officers of the General Orders Standing Rules & Regulations published January 1777 — As the Recruits are coming in from the Country & are unacquainted with the Orders Duties they may be informed that it is a Practice not only against particular Orders but destructive of Time which is needful for other Purposes gradually leads to Dissipation & Habits of Idleness wholly inconsistant with the Character of a Soldier — and that any Soldier possessed of Cards immediately deliver them up to the Commanding Officer of their Regiments

Garrison Order West Point Tuesday March 27th 1781

The Non commissioned Officers & Soldiers of the New Hamp Shire Line who have ~~not~~ had the Small Pox (except a few who may be indispensably necessary to remain at the Huts for the Purpose of getting Wood &c) with Officers in Proportion to the Number to be sent to the Garrison tomorrow where they are to do Duty during the Time those who have not had the Small Pox are under the Operation of it ——

Regimental Returns of the Number of Men who have not had the Small Pox to be given in tomorrow at Orderly Time

Division Order March 28th 1781 ——

The Commands at the Redoubts & Constitution Island to be relieved tomorrow ——

One Gill of Rum per Man to be delivered this Day

		Lieu	Serg	Corp	Drum	Priv
Detail	1st B	2	2	4		34
	2d B	1	2	4		28
		3	4	8		62

	Lieu	Serg	Corp	Priv
Redoubts	1	2	4	24
Fatigy	1	1	1	12
Hosp	0	0	1	8
Garrison	1	1	2	18
	3	4	8	62

West Point Garrison Orders March 28th 1781 —

As it is probable some of the Troops at the Lines have not had the small Pox: the Troops now doing Duty there are to be immediately relieved as this may be done with the greatest Ease by the New Hampshire Brigade; The Rhode Island Regiment is to march tomorrow Morning to their Huts — Col. Commandt Green will detach from the Brigade under his Command 180 R & File fully officered to be placed under a Field Officer for the Purpose of doing Duty on the Lines till further Order in Consequence of the foregoing Order the New Hampshire Line are not to march to the Garrison by the Orders of Yesterday —

Garrison Orders West Point March 29th 1781 —

The Men belonging to the New Hampshire & Rhode Island Regt who have not had the Small Pox are to be Innoculated the Moment the necessary Preparations are made, the Number Assigned by the D. A. Gen. are to be sent from the General Corps to the New Hamp-

their Huts the Day after tomorrow. They are to be taken first from the Recruits. They are to take their Arms with them & such Number of Cooking Utentials as may be necessary. One Surgeon from a Brigade or so many in the whole as may be necessary to innoculate & tend the Patients are to go with them the greatest Care is to taken to prevent a Spread of the Infection among such of the Troops as remain & have not had the Small Pox. and the Inhabitants for which Purpose all Intercourse & Visiting is forbidden Limits are to be assigned the Patients beyond which they are not to pass, a smoke House is to be kept & when occasion requires any Person or Persons to be sent on Business from the Huts he or they are to be first sufficiently smoaked & no Persons to come from the Huts without the Consent of the Commanding Officer Here & a Pass in Writing from him, the Commanding Officer is desired to take such other Measures as may be best calculated effectually to prevent a Spread of the Infection ——— The Patients are daily to be put to moderate Exercise at the Drill & otherwise in a Manner as

such Degree the Surgeons may think consistent with their respective Conditions ——

Great Care is to be taken that the Rooms in the Barracks in the Garrison vacated by the Troops are not injured. They will very soon be wanted for other Troops ——

Elias Chapman & Gideon Hany for Desertion & Moses Fay for stealing public property Under his Care when on Guard over it, tried at the General Court Martial whereof Lieut. Col. Millan is Presidt. found guilty & sentenced the Leaders 100 Lashes each the latter 50 on their naked Backs ——

The General approves the Sentences & orders them carried into Execution. The general Court Martial of which Lieut Col. Millan is President is dissolved ——

Garrison West Point March 30th 1781 ——

Detail to assist in bringing the Logs down the River for the Chain from the Connecticut Line

		Lieut	Serg	Corp	Priv
		1	1	1	20
1st	B	1	0	1	11
2d	B	0	1	0	9
		2	2	2	40

Division Orders March 30th 1781—

The Division Court Martial of which Majr Dyer is President tried Cato Mead Soldier in the 1st Regt Isaac Dixon Soldier in the 2d Regt Phinehas Granger Jeremiah Brown & Michael Minthorn Soldiers in the 3d Regt for Desertion Generally found guilty & sentenced to receive 100 Lashes each on his naked Back (except Michael Minthorn who for particular Reasons the Court recommend for a Pardon & that they compleat the Term of Service for which they are engaged that Stoppages be made from the Pay of Cato Mead equivalent to three Dollars & a half Cash Money for the Expense in securing him—

At the same Court was tried Serg.t Parks Parks of the 1st Regt for mutinous Conduct & insulting two Officers of the Line also Drum Major Capp of the same Regt for supporting Serg.t Parks in it & refusing to make a Discovery of the Transaction when ordered—

The Court are of Opinion the Charges are not supported—

The Col.o Commandant approves the Opinion & found Sentence of the Court & directs their Execution this Evening at Retreat beating

Bearing that of Cato Mead excepted. which is to take Place 25
Lashes at a Time four Mornings successively beginning tomorrow
he is pleased to pardon Richard Thornton Serg.t Park
& Drum Majr. Capp are to be released from Confinement —

Extract from General Orders

Head Quarters New Windsor March 30th 1781 —

A Sub Serg.t & 20 Watermen to be sent immediately to New Windsor
to assist Capt Navins in geting the Boats & stretching the Chain
Also a Subaltern Officer to be immediately sent to the same Place
to relieve the Subaltern on Command there — A Return to be
made of the Watermen in the several Regiments digested into
Brigade Returns & sent to the Adjutant Generals Office by the 1st
of April next —

Garrison Orders West Point April 1st 1781 —

As the warm Season is now advancing the Preservation of the
Health of the Troops requires the greatest Attention be paid
to keeping the Quarters clean & that the Rooms & Barracks be
aired as much as possible all nastiness dirt & Filth removed &c —

from the Barracks — the Health of the Troops is an Object of so much Importance & so much involved in a sweet & pure Air that the Officers can not bestow too much Care & Pains to obtain it —

The Quarter Masters will take particular Care that the Rooms are frequently swept & that all proper precautions be taken to prevent Accidents by Fire — The G.D. Master will form an Engine Company from the Officers who do not belong to the Regiments — The Person who has the Command of the Company will see that the Engine is always kept in Readiness for Use —

If any Thing heretofore ordered to render the different Works in a perfect Condition for Defence is yet incomplete no Time is to be lost in effecting it; The Commissary will pay very particular Attention to the Provisions in Redoubts N.o 1. 2. 3. 4 use Means for its Preservation or exchange as may appear necessary

great Vigilance & Alertness are to be inculcated on all Guards & Sentinels; every Part of the Duty in the Garrison is to be performed with the most pointed Exactness and no Excuse made to perfect the

perfect the Troops in Discipline ——

It is the General Wish that the Army may excell as much in the Exactness of their Discipline as they do in their military Virtues which have rendered them so conspicuous among the Nations — their Courage Strength & Genius is equal to any, Addition of Attention will perfect them ——

No Strangers are to be admitted in the Work unless introduced by an Officer who knows their Character former Orders respecting Strangers are to be strictly observed ——

A Sub. Serg.t & 15 R.d File to join the Guard Boats at Dobbs Ferry Division Order April 2.d 1781 —

One Gill of Rum pr Man to be delivered the Troops this Day being rainy Weather ——

Head Quarters New Windsor April 1.st 1781 —

Returns to be made to the Adj.t Genl.s Office as soon as possible of the Number of Recruits each Line has received up to this Day also a Return of what Number of these Recruits they were obliged to send back as unfit for Service

Garrison West Point April 2d: 1781—

An exact Return of the Number of Women & Children in each Reg.t who draw Provision from the Public Store to be given in on Wednesday at orderly Time specifying whether the Women are married or unmarried——

The great Inconvenience of bringing the Boats properly at the Shore at Nelson's Landing requires a Remedy — The Garrison D.r M.r will cause proper Ferry Way to be made immediately — Stone & Timber are on Hand — a Sub & 20 Fatigue Men from the Connecticut Line are to be sent the Day after to morrow for the Purpose & from Day to Day untill the Works are completed. The Garrison D.r M.r will appoint a proper Person to superintend——

Garrison West Point April 3d: 1781—

The Troops are to be mustered on the 7th instant——

Division Orders April 3: 1781 ——

The Division Court Martial of which Major Prior is President tried Samuel Sanders of the 3d Regt for Desertion — The Court are of Opinion the Prisoner is not guilty — The Lt Comand: approves the Opinion of the Court — Samuel Sanders is released from Confinement

Garrison West Point April 4th 1781 ——

Capt Henry Sewall of the Massachusetts Line is appointed Aid de Camp to Majr General Heath his Appointment is to be considered from the 5th Febry last. The time of Major Cartwrights Resignation & Time which Capt Sewall has acted Aid de Camp pro Tempore — The General is surprized after the repeated & pointed Orders that have been given to see the public Buildings in some Places pulled to Pieces & amongst others at the very Door of the Main Guard, he does once more most positively forbid any the least Injury being wantonly done to

To the Buildings or any or any other public Property & directs that all Guards & Sentinals prevent all Damages within their View as they will answer for all Inattention or Connivance —

The Officer of the Day & of Police To pay particular Attention to this Matter & not only give it in Charge to the Guards, but direct such Measures as may tend to the Detection & Punishment of Offenders — The Officers of all Ranks are desired to prevent Damage being done to the public Buildings or Property —

Division orders April 4th 1781 —

The Detachment at Constitution Island & the Redoubts &c. To be relieved tomorrow Morning —

	Sub	Sergt	C	Priv
1 B	2	2	4	34
2 B	1	2	4	28
	3	4	8	62

	S	S	C	P
Redoubts	1	2	4	24
Fort	1	1	1	12
Hospital	0	0	1	8
Constitution	1	1	2	18
	3	4	8	62

Head Quarters New Windsor Sunday April 1st 1781

A Detachment of Ten Black Smiths Ten Carpenters & Ten Wheelwrights from Col. Ball's Regiment, to join the Park of Artillery & take their Orders from Brigadier General Moses, if the Number of Wheelwrights can not be procured that Deficiency is to be made up in Carpenters—

The whole of the Brigade Inspectors are desired to meet the Adjutant General at West Point at half after twelve O'Clock on Saturday next with the Returns of their respective Brigades

Head Quarters New Windsor April 4th 1781

Capt. Simon's Company of Artillery having been by the late Arrangement of the Army annexed to Col. Proctor's Regiment they are to march immediately to Newtown in Bucks County in Pennsylvania & join that Regiment—

Division Order April 5th 1781—

The Division Court Martial of which Major Prior is President the 2d instant tried David Reynolds of the 5th Regiment for Desertion. The Prisoner pleads guilty. The Court sentence him to receive 100 Lashes on his naked Back—Col. Commandant Durkee approves ~~of~~ the Sentence of the Court & orders it put in Execution tomorrow Morning at Troop Beating—

Each Regt. finds a Wall Maker to Col. Hughes tomorrow.

Garrison Order West Point April 7th 1781—

Each Brigade is to mount a Guard at their own Quarters (this to commence this Evening) from which Patroles are to be sent every Hour between Tap too & Reveille round their Quarters & in their Vicinity. Patroles are also to be sent from the Main Guard & General Guard.

The greatest Vigilence & Alertness to be inculcated on all Guards & Sentinels a more pointed Attention to be paid to the Orders of the 14th ult. & 1st instant & if any noncommissioned Officer Soldier or

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or Habitual are found from their Quarters after Tapto they are to be taken up & sent to the nearest Jail ——

This is not to be dispensed with ———

Fifty Rank & File properly Officered from the Connecticut Line are to be sent to West Point tomorrow for the General Fatigue & continue on Week ——

		Col	Lt Col	Majr	Capt	Lieut	Ensn	
Fatigue Detail Connect Line	R	1	1	2	2	2	28	without Arms
	P	0	1	1	1	0	22	
		1	2	3	3	2	50	

Division Order April 8th 1781 ———

Capt. Warner of the 1st Connecticut Reg. will do the Duty of Sub Inspector to the 1st Connecticut Brigade till farther Order

The Court Martial of which Major Prior is President will sit tomorrow Morning 9 O'Clock for the Trial of Lieut Adams & any others that shall come before them ——

The Commanding Officers of Regiments are desired to make Returns by Thursday next of all Deserters from their respective Regts on the old & present Formation since the 1st of January 1777 to the present Time with their Place of Abode & whether deserted &c

The Enemy —

The Colonel Commandt directs that no Spirituous Liquors be sold in future by any Person of the Connecticut Line without a written Licence for that Purpose from the Commandt of the Line — Any Noncommissd Officer or Soldier found guilty will be punished for Disobedience of Orders & any Person not belonging to the Line shall forfeit all the Liquors & be punished fifty Lashes —

The General Court Martial of which Major Prior is President the 6th instant tried Israel Dodge of the 4th Regt "For consenting to & conniving at a Robbery committed on the publick Clothing Store at Newburgh on the Night of the 6th of March last — Also John Warren of the 2 Regiment "For assisting in robbing the Store" — The Prisoners plead not guilty — The Court on Consideration of the Evidence, are of Opinion the Prisoners are not guilty of the Charges alledged against them — The Colonel Commandt approves the Opinion of the Court — and orders Dodge & Warren released from Confinement —

Garrison Head Point Apl. 10th 1781

A Det. Troops belonging to the Maryland Regt. being wanted to reinforce the Detachment on the Lines The Guard at the Village at present consisting of them is to be relieved Tomorrow by the Connecticut Line — The Guard to consist of a Sub. Serg.t 2 Corp.ls & 21 Privates one Corp.l & four Men to be detached from the Guard to do Duty at the new Bridge on the Road leading to Gen.l Parkes Point This Detachment will apply to Major Campbell at the Village for Direction

with 2 Days Provision & parade at Troop beating	1	B.	Sub	Serg.t	1
	2	B.	1	Corp.l	2
			0	Drum	1
			0	Fife	1
			1	Priv.t	12
			0	Do	1
			1	Do	3
			1	Do	21

Division Orders April 10th 1781

The Troops in Quarters to beat at eight o'Clock & the Tattoo at Nine — For Uniformity at Roll Calls in the Line

The Companies will form on their respective Parades at the beating of the Drumers Call, when the Orderly Sergeants are to see that their Men have their Accoutrements well pipe-clay

When the Troop or Retreat begins to beat the Companies are to
march to the regimental Parade & there be formed in open Order
The Officers are to drop eight Paces in front of the front
Rank with Espontoons ordered —
The Parade being thus formed — The Adjutant commands
orderly Sergeants to the Front March, — The Serg.ts advance four
Paces in front. The Officers trail Espontoons — The Officer on
the right advances one Pace in front & faces to the right about
the other Officer face at the same time — The Adjutant commands
Sergeants call your Rolls The Officers hereupon face to the right
about taking their time from the Officer on the Right and
one Officer from a Company overlooks the Roll while the Serg.t
is calling it — The Roll Call being finished The Adjutant
commands, orderly Serg.ts to the Center march. They advance
to the Adjutant forming in one Rank & making their Reports
each recovering as they report — While this is performing
at the Morning Parade the Officers inspect the Arms Accoutrements
Ammunition & Cloathing of their Companies & having finished
to their Posts & drop in a Line — At the Evening parade the Rolls

being called in the Manner the Sergeants advance to the Center
the Officer on the left of the Parade whose Company the right
hand Officer advances on Face & March to the front the other
Officers face at the same Time required by him — The Adjt
having received the Reports of the Serg.ts commanding orderly
Serg.t to your Posts march they thereupon march to the right of
their Companies & conduct them to their own Parade where they
dismiss them — The parade being finished the Officers advance
to the Center & make their Reports to the Commanding officer of
the Reg.t — — —

The general Court Martial of which Major Prior is President
the 9th instant tried Daniel Seymour Soldier of the 2d Reg.t for Desertion —
The prisoner plead guilty — The Court Sentence him to receive
One hundred Lashes on his naked back to be put on at four
Several Times — The Col.o Commanding approves the Sentence &
order it put in Execution at Troop Beating Tomorrow Morning
next ensuing — The Court matrialed dissolved —

Division Order April 11th 1781 —

1 Serg. 1 Corp. & 12 Men to be sent to the Hamptead Hutts for Guard & taking Care of the Fish with Arms & Cartouch Boxes tomorrow Morning —

1	B	0	1 — 7
2	B	1	0 — 5
			1 — 1 — 12

Garrison Order West Point April 12th 1781 —

The General expresses the highest Satisfaction of the Address & Conduct of Major Ville Franche and the Officers of the Engineer & Artificers Department and to the officers & Men of the Garrison for their great Activity in Laying the Chain across Hudsons River which has been done with much Expedition & tolerably without Accident — The unwearied Endeavours & constant Attention (alias Block Ship) of Captain NELSON for several Months past and under many Embarressments to prepare Loggs & Materials preparatory to laying the Chain deserves particular Notice and for which the General Presents him his Thanks —

Division Orders April 12th 1781

It is thought necessary to remind the Connecticut Line, as the Recruits are coming in daily of the General order of the 11th of April 1778 — viz that any Non commissioned Officer or Soldier carrying his Arms with him out of Camp or Firing without Orders is to be punished Thirty nine Lashes without Sentence of a Court Martial & of the 14th of April 1778 - That any Soldier easing himself in Camp at any other Place than the Necessary Holes or Sinks to be punished five Lashes without Benefit of Court Martial

The Non commissioned Officers Ile particularly careful to instruct the Recruits & frequently inform them of these Orders —

Head Quarters New Windsor April 13th 1781

At a Division General Court Martial held in the Connecticut Line the 9th instant by Order of Col. Durkee whereof Major Dyer was President — Lieut William Adams of the 1st Connecticut Regt was tried for absenting himself from his Regiment & not joining it agreable to the Requisition of the Commanding Officer — found guilty & sentenced to be cashiered — — —

The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence & directs it to be carried into immediate Execution —

Garrison Order West Point April 13th 1781 —

A Court of Inquiry to sit immediately to enquire into the Conduct of Capt Pope of the 4th Massachusetts Regt while on Command escorting a Number of Prisoners of War from Fishkill to Easton when several of the Prisoners made their Escape —

after Garrison Orders April 13th 1781 —

Tried at the Court Martial whereof Major Graham is President
Caleb Carr (alias) Curtis Chapel & Ebenezer Stein for Desertion
found guilty & sentenced the former to receive one hundred lashes
on his bare Back the latter to serve Three Months: The General
approves the foregoing Sentences & orders it to be carried into Execution —

Lieut. Sampson was tried at the same Court for refusing to go on
Duty in his Tour when warned by the Adjutant of the Regiment —
found guilty & sentenced to be reprimanded in General Orders

The General approves of the Judgment of the Court in favor
of Lieut. Sampson who decided for himself in a Manner so unmilitary as
to refuse going on Duty when legally & properly warned —
a ready & chearful Obedience of Orders adds Lustre to the
Character of the Officer — Lieut. Sampson is released from his Arrest —

Garrison Orders West Point April 14th 1781 —

The General finds a great Diminution of Ammunition — he desires
the particular Attention of the Officers of all Grades as much as

as possible to prevent it 1st by directing to every proper Means to prevent it being damaged & 2d by strictly calling every Soldier to give a Satisfactory Account of every Cartridge which is missing & observing the Rules in such case provided ——

Division Orders April 15th 1781 ——

The Guards at the Redoubts, Ferry, Hospital & Constitution Island to be relieved tomorrow Morning ——

Detail		Sub	Sergt	Corpl	Priv
1st B		2	2	4	36
2 B		1	2	4	26
		3	4	8	62

Distribution	Sub	Sergt	Corpl	Priv
Redoubt	1	2	4	24
Ferry	1	1	1	12
Hospital	0	0	1	8
Constitution	1	1	2	18
	3	4	8	62

Head Quarters New Windsor April 15th 1781 ——

At a General Court Martial held at West Point by order of Major General Heath — Major Graham President Robert Maples alias John Walker charged of enlisting in Col. Alden's Regt. by the Name of John Walker for During the War & deserting therefrom also for enlisting again by the Name of Robert Maples for 3 years & taking a Bounty of 200 hard Dollars from the Town of Colorain & deserting again was tried found guilty & Sentenced to suffer Death two thirds of the Court agreeing — at a Court Martial held in General Starks Brigade the

13th instant by Order of Col° Green Major Hugg President
Nathan Gale a Soldier in Col° Green's Reg° charged with repeated
Desertions was found guilty & sentenced to suffer Death
The Commander in Chief approves the above Sentence & Orders the
Prisoners Robert Maples alias John Walker & Nathan Gale to be
executed on Wednesday next.

Garrison West Point 15th July 81

The General finds notwithstanding the earnest repeated Orders
that have been given for the Preservation & Return of the Tents
that many Horsemen & Wall Tents have stood out during the Winter
& the Number every Day is increasing This is not only destructive
of public Property but under our present Circumstances will
inevitably compel many Officers the Approaching Campaign to
live in common Tents he does most pointedly & positively direct that
every Horseman & Wall Tent that is now standing unless occupied by
a Commissioned Officer or such as are rendered unfit for Service or
are used by Necessity for public Service be immediately taken in
public Stores if in any particular Circumstance it should be thought

expedient to indulge a Soldier & his Wife with a Tent it is to be a common Tent only, he will not dispense with this Order but enjoins a strict Conformity to which the D.A.G. General will please immediately to attend — The Brigade Major & Adjutants of the 2. Massachusetts Brigade are to attend daily in Rotation —

Division order April 17th 1781

The Guard at the Continental Village to be relieved tomorrow —

Detail	Sub	Sg	C	P
1 B	1	0	2	12
2 B	0	1	1	9
	1	1	3	21

Detail for New Windsor & Newburgh

	Sub	Sg	C	P
1 B.	0	1	1	10
2 B	1	0	1	7
	1	1	2	17

Head Quarters New Windsor April 17. 1781 —

The Guards & Fatigue Parties for the D.A.G. Commissaries & Clothiers Departments at New Windsor & Newburgh that have been a Week or longer on Duty to be relieved immediately no Party to continue longer than a Week on that Duty without a special Order for that Purpose — Robert Naples alias John Walker and Nathan Gale ordered to be executed tomorrow are respited until Friday — The Regimental Clothiers are immediately to apply

to the Deputy Cloathier General for the Cloathing for the Men of their respective Regiments returns to be kept for Duty for Want of Cloths ——

Garrison West Point April 18th 1781 ——

Burning the Woods being attended with unforeseen Evil Consequences the General Strictly forbids the Troops setting them on Fire disgracefully Care is to be taken to prevent its happening ——

great Care is to be taken for the Preservation of the Soldiers Cloathing in particular their Coats. the old Cloathing is to be worn on Fatigue the new on Duties with Arms —— to this the Officers are desired to pay Attention & not allow the Soldiers to wear their new Coats in the one Case or omit it in the other ——

Garrison Order West Point April 19th 1781

the just & full proportion of Cloathing which falls to such Troops of the Massachusetts Line as are on Command under the Marquis de la Fayette is to be carefully issued untill the Officers Return from the Detachment. No excuse to be admitted

Robert

Robert Staples alias John Walker is to be executed tomorrow Morning between the Hours of eight & Nine O Clock all the Troops in the Garrison to be under Arms & attend

Head Quarters Nod Windsor April 19th 1778

The Commander in Chief considering the Scarcity of Hospital Stores & the advanced Season thinks proper to order a Discontinuance of Inoculation in the Army — To prevent the Small Pox spreading amongst the Recruits that may hereafter join the utmost Care is to be taken to prevent their mixing with those who have Lately had that Disorder He therefore directs that the Patients now at the Small Pox Hospital and those who are employed to attend the Sick may be prevented from Straggling to their Corps & all Such as do not now belong to the Hospital from going to it on any Pretence until the Surgeons report that all danger of Infection is over — If notwithstanding these precautions any Person should be seized with the Small Pox he or She is to be immediately removed to the Hospital —

The Court of Inquiry ordered by Major General Heath
the 14th instant to investigate the Conduct of Capt Pope
during his late Command escorting Prisoners of War
to Carlstown where of Col. H Jackson was President
having minutely enquired into Capt Pope Conduct on the
Occasion are of Opinion it is commendable and that
of a good Officer The Commander in Chief approves the
the Opinion of the Court

Division Orders April 20th 1781 —

The Fatigue Party at West Point sent by Garrison Orders
to be relieved tomorrow Morning by a Sub two Serg.ts & 30 Rank

		Sub	Serg.t		
Detail	1st	1	1	1	17
	2d	0	1	1	11
		1	2	2	28

After Garrison Orders April 20th 1781 —

The General Court Martial whereof Major Graham is President
will sit tomorrow Morning 9 o Clock for the Trial of 17 Prisoners
Hutton Provost Marshal for the Army

Head Quarters Newburgh April 26 1781

The Hon'ble the Congress have been pleased to pass the following Resolves to which due Attention is to be paid

By the United States in Congress assembled April 13. 1781.

Resolved That the Commander in Chief transmit to the executive of the several States Lists of the Names of all the New Levies belonging to each State respectively specifying their Terms of Service & the Sums due to them — such Lists to be signed by the Paymasters of the Regiments in which the New Levies have served countersigned by the commanding Officer approved by the Brigadier or Officer commanding the Brigade or Corps & that it be and hereby is recommended to the said States to cause Payment to be made to said Levies agreably to such List on Account of the United States

Resolved That for the future all Applications of Persons serving in the Army of the United States for Settlement of Accounts to be made immediately to the Auditors of the Army

That all Applications of Persons serving in the Army &c

payment of Liquidated Sums due from the United States be made immediately to the Pay Master accompanied with the proper Warrants — That all similar Applications of other Creditors of the United States be made immediately to the Board of Treasury to be liquidated & discharged in the whole or in such equal proportion as the Board of Treasury shall with the approbation of the United States in Congress assembled from time to time generally direct —

Resolved — That all Application respecting Rank Discharges Loss of Horses Clothing & other Articles in the Service and for Arrears of Clothing & other Articles be made in the first Instance to the Board of War —

Resolved That all Applications for Resignations be made to the Commander in Chief or to the Officer Commanding in a seperate Department

The New Levies mentioned in the fourth Resolve are those who joined last Campaign — The List called for are to be made out as directed & transmitted

The Brigade Inspectors

Capt. Lee to be present at the Encampment

Quarters South Side of Henderson Creek tomorrow

The Guard to be relieved at the same Time & the Guards

at Hartford for Newburgh

William Hutton being appointed Sergeant Major

to the Army of the United States is directed accordingly &

is intitled to the Emoluments of that office from the 1st day

of May 1780

The Brigade Inspectors with their Aides bring the Returns

of their respective Brigades for the present Week to the Adjutant

General on Sunday next

Robert Mosely alias John Walker & Nathan Gale

ordered to be executed on Wednesday last respited till this

Day one Quarter respited untill Tuesday next

Lieut. Col. Spencer to join Regt. Detachment

Lieut. Col. Jackson to join Regt.

The Court of Enquiry whereof Col. Jackson is Pres.

is dissolved

Brigade Orders June 22. 1780

A general Court Martial is the Connecticut Line to sit tomorrow Morning 9 o'Clock to try such Prisoners as shall come before them Lieut. Col. Johnson President 5 Capts. & 2 Subs from the 1st Brigade & three Capts. & two Subs from the 2d Brigade Members — Lieut. Wales to attend as Judge-Advocate —

The Brigade Major to apply to Mr. Clark tomorrow Morning for their Journal Sheets & Clothing —

The Guards at the Redoubts Ferry Hospital & Constitution Island to be relieved tomorrow Morning —

	Sub	Sergts	C	P
Detail	1	1	2	21
	1	1	2	24
	2	2	4	45

	Sub	Sergts	C	P
Redoubts	1	—	4	20
Ferry	1	1	1	12
Hospl	0	0	1	8
Constitn	1	1	2	16
	4	8	55	

Head Quarters N Windsor April 22: 1781 ——

John Williams alias John Foster a Soldier in the 6th Massachusetts Regiment Tried the 19th instant by a General Court Martial whereof Major Graham is President for Desertion was found guilty & sentenced to suffer Death more than Two thirds of the Court agreeing — The Commander in Chief disproves the Sentence & orders him to be executed on Tuesday next

Wm William Hutton Provost Martial for the Army was tried the 21st instant by the same Court Martial for refusing to execute the Office of Provost Martial in the Execution of John Walker alias Robert Maples agreable to the Warrant from his Excellency for that Purpose ——

The Court are of Opinion the Reasons Wm Hutton offered are sufficient to excuse his Refusal ——

The Commander in Chief is sorry to be under the Necessity of disapproving the Sentence of the Court who seem to have been

been misled by Mr Hutton Testimony that he had only been appointed Provost Marshal the Day before & that previous to that Time he had acted as a Volunteer —

It is true Mr Hutton had not been appointed in Orders as principal in the Office till the Time he mentions but he has for some Time past been considered as a Deputy & had performed the Duties & drawn Pay. To allow such a Precedent as Mr Hutton pretends to be established might upon future Occasions operate seriously should a Criminal of Consequence require a hasty Execution — In the civil Line the High Sheriffs whose Office is of a similar Nature to that of a Provost Marshal in the Military is obliged to execute his Warrant himself if he can not procure a Common Executioner. Mr Hutton is dismissed from his Office —

Agreable to an Order of the 3d of September last the Men drafted from the Line into the Corps of Sappers & Miners were

were to draw pay as a seperate Corps from the 1st of August last inclusive; of Course they are to be considered as transferred from the Corps to which they usually belong & struck off their Musters Rolls from that Period ——— The Officer commanding the Corps of Sappers & Miners will make regular weekly Returns & monthly Returns of that Corps to the Orderly Office ———

A Corpl & Six Men to be sent to New Windsor as a Guard for the Pay Master General ———

Garrison Orders Monday April 23 1781 ———

All the Troops off Duty to parade tomorrow Morning 8 O Clock to attend the Execution ———

The Preservation of the Green Forage being an Object that demands Attention no Cattle or horses are to be sent on Constitution Island on any Pretence whatever ———

Division Orders April 24th 1781 —

The General Court Martial of which Lieut Col. Johnson is President the 23: instant tried John Hancock & Jeremiah Wooden both of the 4th Regt for Desertion to which Charge each of the Prisoners plead guilty — The Court Sentenced them each to receive fifty Lashes on their naked Backs — The Colonel Commandant approves the Sentence of the Court & orders it put in Execution this Evening at Retreat Beating —

The Guard at the Continental Village to be relieved tomorrow Morning — Detail 2 1 0 — 3 2 12
as per Order Head Quarters 4th Div. 23/81 1 1 0 — 1 — 3
2 1 0 — 1 — 4

Major Gibbs having been in the Arrangement of the Army appointed to & having joined the 2 Massachusetts Regt

The Commander in Chief takes occasion to express his Approbation of his Conduct while in the Command of his Corps of Guards & to return him thanks for his very particular Attention to the several Duties incident to a Station —

Six o'Clock Morning Division Orders April 25th 1781

The Detail to relieve the Guards at Newburgh & New Windsor to parade at Troop beating this Morning

	Sub	S	C	D
1		1	-	3 - 30

To reinforce the Detachment at Danbury to parade at 12 O'Clock with 3 Days Provision & 40 Rounds pr Man

	Sergt	C	D
1		1	- 20

Detail for New Windsor		Sub	S	C
1	B	1	- 0 -	2 - 17
2	B	0	- 1 -	1 - 13
		1	: 1 :	3 : 30

for Danbury Detachment with Provision & 40 R		Sergt	C	D
1	B	- 1 -	0	- 13
2	B	0	- 1 -	7
		1	: 1 :	20

Division Orders April 25th 1781

The Division will attend Muster & Inspection on Wednesday the 1st of May next. the 1st Brigade at 10 O'Clock in the Morning the 2d Brigade at 2 in the Afternoon when the Call Rolls & Inspection Returns will be completed (with a Report of the State of the Company) including the Alterations for the two Months past. the Recruits will be entered the Date of Inlistment & noted the Day they joined & all Absentees the Number of Days absent

The General Court Martial of which Lieut Col. Johnson is President the 24th instant tried Joseph Gault Smith Soldier of the 4th Regiment

for repeated Desertion to which Charge the Prisoner plead guilty — The Court Sentenc him to receive Twenty five Lashes four Days successively ——————

The Lt Col Commandt approves the Sentence & order it put in Execution, the first Twenty five tomorrow Morning at Troop beating Twenty five per Day each succeeding Day at Troop beating —

The Court martial is dissolved ——

Garrison Orders West Point April 26th 1781 —

It being more eligable for the Officer of Artillery Stationed at the Redoubts on the East Side of the River to take Charge of the Provisions in the Magazines than the Officers of Infantry who are frequently relieved — in future the Provisions as well as Ordnance & military Stores at the North & Middle Redoubts are committed to the Care of the Commanding Officer of Artilery at the Redoubts who will take every proper Measure for their Preservation & for which he will hold himself answerable

he will frequently report their Condition to the Commissary of the Garrison this is not to exempt the Officer of the Infantry to whom the Defence of those Works are assigned from examining the Provision and as often as he may think proper ——

Returns of Articles of Clothing wanting for the Troops as specified in the General Order of the 17th instant are to be made by the regimental Clothiers to the Sub Clothiers of their respective States the Latter will apply for the Clothing as usual ——

Garrison Orders West Point April 27th 1781 ——

Twenty Wood Cutters & Colliers are to be sent tomorrow to Newburgh they will be employed on the Furnaces until further orders under the Direction of Capt Mitchel to whom they will apply for orders they are to be sent under the Command of a Serjt who is to be considered as one of the Twenty ——

The Suttlers are strictly forbid allowing any kind of gaming in their Houses. should any be found to offend herein they may depend on being deprived of their Licenses —

Connecticut 1 — 6 Wood Cutters
Wood 1 — 1 — 4
— 6

Head Quarters New Windsor April 27th 1781—

Congress having been pleased to set apart & appoint Thursday the 3d day of may next for fasting. Humiliation & Prayer The General enjoins a strict Observance of it in the Army and calls upon the Chaplains thereof to prepare suitable Discourses to the Occasion, all Fatigue Duties are to cease on that Day—

Garrison Orders West Point April 29th 1781—

The Exercise & Manoeuvres are to be practised agreeably conformed to & according to the Regulations. as the Recruits are daily coming in & the the Season for advancing, great attention is to be paid to the Instruction of them, this is constantly to be done by a commissioned officer & cannot in any Instance be dispensed with—

It is suggested that several Prisoners of War are sent on by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as Recruits for their Line — particular Enquiry is to be made if any such are found their Names Towns & Cases by whom they were sent are to be given in immediately

if there are any Deserters from the Light Infantry who have returned to their Corps. they are to be immediately confined in Order that they may be brought to Trial —

Division Orders April 29th 1781 —

The Guards at the Redoubts Ferry Constitution Island & Hospital &c. to be relieved tomorrow Morning —

	Sub	Sag	Q	P
Detail J/B	2	2	4	31
2B	1	2	4	24
	3	4	8	55

Distribution

	Sub	Sag	Q	P
Redoubts	1	2	4	20
Ferry	1	1	1	12
Constitution	1	1	2	15
Hospital	0	0	1	8
	3	4	8	55

Garrison West Point May 1st 1781 —

A General Court Martial to set on Friday next 10 o Clock A.M. at the Connecticut Huts for the Trial of such Prisoners as may be brought before them —

The President and Nine Members from the Connecticut Line three Members from Col. Hazen's Regiment all Evidences & Persons concerned to attend —

The Fatigue Party from the Connecticut Line is to be relieved tomorrow with fifty Rank & File properly Officered —

A Fatigue Party consisting of a Sub & Thirty R & F to be sent daily from the 2 Massachusetts Brigade to the Garrison —

		Sub	Sg	C				Sub	S	C	
Detail for New Windsor Commands	1 B	1	6	2	16	Fatigue without arms	1 B	1	1	2	1 - 2 27
	2 B	0	1	1	12		2 B	0	1	1	2 - 0 20
		1	1	3	28			1	2	3	3 - 247

Head Quarters April 30th 1781 —

John Powers Soldier in the New Hampshire Line tried the 27th instant by the Brigade Court Martial whereof Major Scott was President charged with repeated Desertion was found guilty & sentenced to suffer Death more than two Thirds of the Court agreeing thereto —

Garrison West Point May 2d 1781 —

Returns of all the Provisions in the several Forts & Redoubts on both Sides of the River to be given tomorrow at orderly time

Samuel Cook James Hole, Reuben Sitterway & Francis Smith Soldiers tryed at the General Court Martial whereof Major

Major Graham was president for Desertion found guilty & Sentenced Cook & Hale to receive one hundred Lashes each Smith Sixty & Settaway Thirty Lashes on their naked Backs, the General approves of the above Sentences & orders them carried into Execution ——

Division Orders May 2: 1781 ——

The Commanding Officers of Regiments are desired to make Returns of the Noncommissioned Officers & Men & the Number of Shirts wanting to compleat each Man with with Shirts to their respective Regiments by tomorrow Evening ——

The Division will attend public Worship tomorrow at 11 o'Clock before Noon between the Brigades in the Rear & between the Officers Huts ——

Head Quart. New Windsor May 2: 1781

At a General Court Martial held at West Point the 24th of April & continued by adjournment till this 1st instant

Major Graham President Ensign Murdock

Mr Pharson of Colo Hazen's Regiment was tried charged with "Neglect of Duty in leaving his Guard under his Command "having Prisoners in Charge on his way to Easton at which "time a Number made their Escape —

The Court on Consideration are of Opinion that Ensign M.Pharson is guilty of the Charge against him in breach of Article 5th Sect.n 18th of the Rules & Articles of War & Sentence him to be reprimanded in general Orders —

The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence of the Court. He thinks Ensign M.Pharson's Conduct reprehensible in the highest Degree. Nothing reflects greater Dishonor on an Officer or can be productive of more fatal Consequences than Negligence & Inattention when on Duty therefore

which appear to be not so clearly proved against Ensign M Pherson — Ensign M Pherson is released from Arrest —

Brigadier General Hand will inspect the 1st Massachusetts & Connecticut Brigades on Monday the 7th instant the 2d Massachusetts & Connecticut Brigades on Wednesday the 9th the 3d Massachusetts & that Part of Stark's Brigade not on the Lines on Friday the 11th instant if the Weather permits The Inspection of the Troops on the Point De commence between 9 & 10 O Clock All the Troops on the East Side of the River will be inspected in the afternoon of the Day above mentioned they will be ready to fall in by Regiments on beating the long Roll — as far as Circumstances will admit the Troops are to be exempted Duty on the Day of Inspection —

Beside the usual Inspection Returns the present State of the Arms Accoutrements & Amunition of each Regiment to be made out agreable to a Form herewith transmitted to Maj. Porter D. A. General —

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no Arms or Accoutrements to be issued except for Guards until this Inspection is completed

Garrison West Point May 3. 1781

Returns to be made immediately to the General Officer of all the Marquees Horsmen Tents & common Tents in the respective Brigades & Corps in Possession of the General Field Commissioned or Staff Officers or in the Hands of the Brigade or regimental Quarter Masters & also of all Boats and at present provided mentioning their State & Condition

Division Orders May 3. 1781

The Guard at the Continental Village to be relieved tomorrow Morning — The Court Martial in Garrison Orders of this instant to set at 10 o'Clock tomorrow Morning — will sit at General Parsons's Hutt — Major Prior to preside 4 Capts & 2 Subs from the 1st Brigade & 2 Capts & 1 Sub from the 2d Brigade Members from the Connecticut Line with 3 from Col. Hagen's Regt to complete the Court — Lieut Paymaster Sherman to attend as

as Judge Advocate —

		Sub	Sergt	Corpl	Rank
Detail for the Continental Village	2 Brigade	0	1	2	12
	2 Brigade	1	0	1	9
		1	1	3	21

Garrison Orders West Point April 4th 1781 —

Tried at a General Court Martial whereof Major Ashley was President John Mayer & James Raven Soldiers for Desertion found guilty & Sentenced to receive one Hundred Lashes each on their naked Backs. The General approves the Sentences & orders them carried into Execution —

Division Orders April 4th 1781 —

A General Court Martial of the Connecticut Line to sit tomorrow Morning 9 o'Clock at the President's Quarters to try such Prisoners as shall come before them — Major Prior to preside 4 Capts & 3 Subs from the 1st Brigade & 3 Capts & 2 Subs from the 2d Brigade Members - Lieut & Pay Master Sherman to attend as Judge Advocate —

The Court Martial directed in Garrison Orders is not to detain the Members from a Detail of the Line as no further Business

is expected for that Court, orderly Serg[t] from the 1[st] Brigade to attend the Court Martial —

Division Orders May 5[th] 1781 —

The Guards at the Redoubt. Ferry Hospital & Constitution Island to be relieved tomorrow Morning —

Public Worship to be attended at the usual Place at eleven o Clock A.M.

Detail		Sub	S	C	P
1	B.	1	2	4	30
2	B	2	2	4	25
		3	4	8	55

	Sub	S	C	P
Redoubt	1	2	4	20
Ferry	1	1	1	12
Hosp[l]	0	0	1	8
Const[n]	1	1	2	15
	3	4	8	55

Head Quarters New Windsor May 5[th] 1781 —

The Honorable the Congress having directed the Board of War to take Order on a Letter from the Pay Master General of the 3 of April last respecting the extra Rations to be drawn in kind by the Officers of the Army agreed that no Charge be made against

against the Officers for no such Extra Ration but that the same be considered as a Gratuity untill farther orders of Congress. and that his Excellency the Commander in Chief and the Pay Master General be informed of this Opinion of the Board —

The Honorable the Congress having by their Resolve of the 17th of April last appointed John Moylan Esq. Cloathier General of the Army he is to be respected & obeyed as such

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased by their Resolve of the 27th of April last to direct that the Pay of Capts Lieut of Artilery & that of Lieutenants & Sergeants of Infantry be paid in Bills of the new Emission at the Rate fixed for the Pay of Officers & noncommiss Officers respectively on the 27th of May 1778 — any former Resolution of Congress to the contrary notwithstanding —

The Commander in Chief directs that all Returns for Arms or Accoutrements shall specify the Regiments they are for & the particular Purposes for which they are then wanted & that after such Returns are signed by the Division Inspector agreable to the Resolution of Congress the 25th of Septemr last they be carried to the Orderly Office

Office To be registered & counter signed by the Adjutant General previous to Issues being made on them —

Garrison Orders West Point May 6th 1781 —

It being represented by the Surgeons of the Hospital that the Number of Patients with venereal Complaints are of late greatly increased & that without some immediate Measures for the Removal of the Cause of that Disease so injurious to the Service its baneful Consequences will spread thro' the Garrison — for Remedy whereof the General directs that all unmarried Women above the Age of fourteen years who are now in the Garrison or any Reg.ts belonging to this Department & others of ill Fame leave the Garrison or Regim.ts with whom they may be on or before Wednesday next as they will avoid being drummed out after that Time — The Surgeons of all Regiments & Corps to whom any Soldier shall apply for Relief under venereal Complaints shall demand of such Soldier the Person & Place from whom he received the Disease which Information the Surgeon shall immediately communicate to the Commandg —

Commandt of the Brigade to which the Woman belongs who shall order an Inquiry to be made by a Surgeon, and if upon such Enquiry there shall be Reason to conclude that the Health of the Troops has been injured by such Person, the Commandt of the Brigade will order the Person immediately drumed out of the Garrison or Regimt.

The Health of the Troops is so much involved in a strict & punctual attention to this Order that the General does most pointedly enjoin it.

Division Orders May 6th 1781

The General Court Martial of which Major Pierce is President this instant tried Benjamin Kirtum & Ichabod Goodrich Soldiers of the 3 Regt for Desertion The Prisoners plead guilty The Court sentence them to receive One hundred Lashes each on their naked Backs. also Azariah Grant of the 2d Regt for repeated Desertion the Prisoner plead guilty of one desertion but not repeatedly. The Court on Consideration of the Evidence are of Opinion the Prisoner is guilty & sentence him to receive one hundred Lashes at four different

Days 25 pr Day on his naked Back — and Prentice Sloss of the 3d Regt for having denied the Public in obtaining a discharge as a three Years Man when inlisted during the War — The Prisoner plead not guilty The Court on Consideration of the Evidence are of Opinion the Prisoner is not guilty of Fraud in obtaining a Discharge but ought to be holden for the War agreable to an original Inlistment — On this Day tried Samuel Hull Drumer of the 5th Regt for Desertion the Prisoner plead not guilty — The Court are Opinion he is not guilty —

The Colonel Commandg approves of the foregoing Sentences & opinions of the Court & orders the Sentence of Azariah Grant put in Execution tomorrow Morning at Troop beating the 1st twenty five Lashes & the other two three next succeeding Mornings twenty five Lashes each — —

But in Consideration of the former good Character of Hiram & Goodrich the Colonel is pleased to pardon them —

The Court Martial is dissolved —

Garrison West Point May 31st 1781—

A Court of Enquiry to sit on Wednesday next 9 O'Clock A.M. to investigate the Circumstances attending the Capture of Lieut. Walter of the 6th Massachusetts Regt in June 1779— Maj. Gibbs President—

Attention is to be paid to the Water Casks in the several Works they are to be kept in proper Order. The Water to be shifted as may be necessary. as soon as the Provisions in the several Redoubts are overhauld & cooperd particular Reports & Returns of their Condition is to be given in. Tried at the General Court Martial whereof Major Prior is President. Kendall & William Hartley Henry Locke & Michael Welch Soldiers for Desertion found guilty & sentenced to receive one Hundred Lashes each on their naked Backs. Locke to receive his at four different Mornings Successively Twenty five Lashes at a Time

At a General Court Martial whereof Major Graham is President was tried Nathan Gale Jo. Mason. Sam. Cobby James Reid. Stephen Ward Jo. Moffett. Lieut. Lord. Jacob Kraus. Moses Pratt Warren Bristol. Richard Williams Joseph Holchkiss Stephen Havard Jeremiah Bingham. Ishabod Butler John Ayers Anderson Phillips Wm. Wilkin & Charles Hurley Soldiers

in the Light Infantry for Desertion found guilty & Sentenced to receive an Hundred Lashes on their naked Backs ——

The General Approves the foregoing Sentences & orders them Just in Execution — Tried at the same Court Martial Isaac Van-Gilder Soldier in the York Line for Desertion found guilty & sentenced to receive one Hundred Lashes on the naked Back — The General Approves the Sentence & orders it put into Execution ——

Garrison West Point May 8th 1781 ——

The General Court Martial of which Major Dyer is President is dissolved Detail of the Connecticut Line to relieve New Windsor &c

	Sub	Sergts	Drums	Rank & File
is	1	1	3	30
Detail	1	0	2	17
	0	1	1	13
	1	1	3	30

Head Quarters New Windsor Sunday May 6th 1781 —

John Powell Soldier in the New Hampshire Line who was tried by a general Court Martial the 27th of April & sentenced to Suffer Death which Sentence was Approved & published in Orders the 30th of April is ordered to be executed on Friday the 4th instant ——

Head Quarters New Windsor Tuesday the 8th: May. 1781

As the Badness of the weather prevented the Inspection of the 1st Brigades of Massachusetts & Connecticut yesterday they will be inspected on Thursday, the 2d Brigade of Massachusetts & Connecticut on Saturday and the 3d Massachusetts & Stark's Brigade on Monday next the Manner of Inspection to be the same as already pointed out ——

Col. Hazen's Regiment to be held in Readiness for Inspection on Tuesday the 15th: their Returns to be the same directed for the above Regiments ——

Garrison West Point May 10th: 1781 ——

The Court Martial whereof Major Gibbs is President appointed to investigate the Circumstances of the Captivity of Lieut. Wattle of the 6th Massachusetts Regiment in June 1779 —— after mature Deliberation are unanimously of opinion that Lieut Wattle [illegible] has been Prisoner Compatible but conducted himself becoming a judicious & good Officer — The General is pleased to accept & approve the Opinion of the Court ——

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Trial at the Court Martial whereof Major Ashley is Presidt
Joseph Demar John Smith & Henry Lee Soldiers for Desertion
found guilty & Sentenced to receive one hundred Lashes each on
their naked Backs — Serg.t M.Gregier for Disobedience of
Orders Striking a Serg.t in the Execution of his Duty found
guilty Sentenced to be reduced to the Ranks —
The General approves the foregoing Sentences & orders them
carried into Execution —

Division Orders May 10th 1781 —

The Pay Masters are directed to make Returns of the Number
of Shirts Shoes & Overalls received on State Account by the Regts
in 80 & the Amount of the Price & the Monies paid by the Soldiers

The Commanding Officers of Regiments are desired to make
Returns of the Names of the Deserters from their respective Regts
since the 1st of Decemr last & the Regt on the Information to which
they belonged — also a Return of the Names Ranks Date of
Inlistment Term & Place of Abode of those Men who joined from the
late Col.o Warners Regt — These Returns to be compleated by Saturday

Evening next to be forwarded to the Committee of Settlement for last year's Pay — The Guard at the Continental Village to be relieved tomorrow & the Fatigue Party at West Point —

		Sub	L	C	P
Detail	1	1	3	1	0	1	12
	2	2	3	0	1	2	9
		1	1	3	2	1	21

		2	Sub	L	C	M
Fatigue	1	1	3	0	1	2	2	0	27
	2	1	3	1	1	1	1	2	20
		1	2	3	3	2	47		

Garrison West Point May 11th 1781 —

Major General Heath being called for a few Days to another Quarter the Command of the Garrison devolves on Brigadier General Patterson untill further Orders —

After Garrison Orders May 11th 1781 —

The Command of West Point & its Dependencies having by the Absence of Major General Heath devolved on Brigadier General Patterson he is pleased to direct that every thing be carried into Execution agreable to the present Plan untill further Orders

Division Orders May 11th 1781 —

The Commanding Officers of Regiments are desired to make Returns of the Number of Shirts wanting to complete each Man with one Shirt —

Head Quarters New Windsor May 1st 1781

The Companies of Light Infantry with Major General The Marquis De la Fayette are to be compleated from their respective Regiments to Fifty each. The Deficiencies are known The Men formerly belonging to those Companies (who are absent when they may be) or others of a similar Description to be sent on this Service. Those Men to be marched under the Direction of the Officers who are going to join the Light Infantry. The Hond. The Congress have been pleased to make the following Appointments

Ordered that Doctor James Craik Chief Hospital Physician & Surgeon be & is hereby appointed Chief Physician & Surgeon of the Army in the Room of Doctor Cochran late Director of the Hospital

The D. M. General will apply for such Teams Parties as are necessary to repair the Road to Fishkill Court House

Garrison West Point May 12th 1781

A Party of Thirty five R & File are to be sent to Stonny Points for Fatigue — After Garrison Orders —

Tried at the General Court Martial whereof Major Ashley is President Walter Whalon & Daniel Cameron Soldiers for attempting to Desert to the Enemy William Maynard Soldier for Desertion & Charles Stewart Soldier for leaving his Post on Centery found Guilty & Sentenced the Four first to receive One hundred Lashes each — the last thirty Nine Lashes on his naked Back — The General approving the Sentences & orders them carried into Execution —

Detail to relieve Stonney & Verplanks Points from the Garrison this day

		Sub	Sig^{o}	C	M			S	C
1	B	1	1	2	2	18	Stonny Point Fatigue	1 B	1 0 9
2	C	0	1	0	0	12		2 B	0 1 7
		1	2	2	2	30			1 1 16

Division Orders May 12th 1781

Capt Lieut Strong of the 2d Regiment is to do Duty & be considered as Capt in the room of Capt St John resigned the 2d Instant —

Dupr Order May 13th 1781 —

Commanding Officers of Regiments are desired to make Returns by Monday Evening next of the Number of Women & Children Officers & Men & the Articles of Clothing & Cloathing they want to compleat them — The Grades at the Encampment Constitution Island to be relieved tomorrow Morning —

Detail	1st B	Sub	Sergt	C	Distribution		£	S	C	D
		2	2	5	31	Quarters	1	2	4	20
		1	2	3	24	Forage	1	1	1	12
		3	4	8	55	Horse	0	0	1	8
						Compt	1	1	2	15

Head Quarters New Windsor March 13th 1781 —

A Capt a Sub 3 Serg 40 & File to proceed to New Windsor — and a Capt Sub 2 Serg 30 & File to Kingsferry tomorrow Morning Each Corps to repair the Roads leading from New Windsor towards Sufferns & Ringwood — The Latter to repair the Road leading from Kingsferry towards Morristown —

The Officers ordered on the Parties will receive Instructions from the D. A. G. General — The Party going to Kingsferry will take the necessary Tools from West Point the others will receive them at New Windsor

N. Windsor & Newburgh. The above Parties to Carry their Arms & forty Rounds of Cartridges

		Drums	Fifes	Corporals	Privates
Detail for Fatigue at Stony Point towards Morristown	1 Bde	1	0	1	16
	2 Bde	0	1	1	12
		1	1	2	28

Garrison Orders West Point May 14th 1781

A Return of the Water Carts in the several Works on West Point & its Dependencies with their Condition to be given in as soon as possible

Capt. Derrick of the 1st Massachusetts Regt is appointed to do the Duty of Brigade Major to the 3d Massachusetts Brigade until further Orders —

Garrison Orders West Point May 15th 1781 —

Officers assigned to the Command of Works will see that they are in the best Order possible for Defence — all the Troops are to be held in constant Readiness for immediate Action —

No Parties at New Windsor & Newburgh — from the Connecticut Line

	1 Bde	1	0	2	17
	2 Bde	0	1	1	13
		1	1	3	30

Camp Orders May 15th 61

The Recruits will be drilled & Exercised from five o'Clock to seven in the Morning & from four to five in the afternoon & any intermediate Exercise will be from 9 till 10 in the forenoon — Camp Guards will be formed in each Brigade (instead of the Parade Guard) commanded by a Subaltern officer & posted on a Post as the Gen'l Officer may be provided — The Countersign of the Day will be given by Day & by Night

Head Quarters Newport Wednesday May 15th 61

Returns of the Number of Recruits that have joined each State Line Hazen Regiment of the Park of Artillery since the first day of April last specifying the Number of those that have been sent back as unfit for Service to be given in at the Adjutant General's Office on Thursday next without fail —

Camp Orders May 16th 61 —

Lieut Cole of the 11th Regiment is appointed to have charge of the Guard at Point

Junior Order May 17th 1781

The Guards at the Continental Village & Fatigue Party at West Point to be relieved tomorrow Morning

		Sub		D			D	Sub	Serg	D	Drm	Priv
Detail for Guard	1B	1	–	2	–	11	Fatigue	1B 1	– 1	– 2	– 2	– 26
	2B	0	– 1	– 1	–	10		2B 0	1	– 1	– 1	– 21
		1	– 1	– 3	–	21			1	– 2 – 3	– 3	– 47

Head Quarters New Windsor Thursday May 17th 1781

The Enemy having embarked a considerable Number of Troops late at New York the General thinks it necessary (though [illegible] of them is not yet known) to have a Detachment of four [illegible] then immediately formed & held in Readiness to march [illegible] Warning [illegible] this Co[illegible] of [illegible] Men & [illegible] Major & Captains 16 Subalterns with Staff & noncommissioned Officers proportioned [illegible] Capt. Trammell will command it, & [illegible] Orders may be encamped contiguous to Kings Ferry & be ready to support the Party on that Lines

		May[illegible]	Sub	Serg	Musc	Priv	
Connecticut Detail to parade at Nelson Point	1B	0	– 2	– 4	– 4	– 85	
	2B	1	– 1	– 2	– 2	– 65	1 Surgs Mate
		1	– 3	– 6	– 6	– 150	

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Head Quarters New Windsor May 17th 1781

The Detachment ordered for Virginia to be immediately relieved by a Detachment from the Army at large the Relief to consist of a Number equal to the Detachment previous to the Desertion of the 1st instant —

Head Quarters New Windsor May 18th 1781

The Commander in Chief having Occasion to be absent from the Army for a few Days the Major General Commanding will command and the Return of Fatigue Officer for the Day

Garrison Orders Head Quarters May 18th 1781

The Brigade Inspectors will daily send in Returns of the present State of the Clothing, they are to be signed by the Commanding Officers of Regiments & Corps & by the Brigade Inspectors — Brigade Inspectors will also report to the Commanding Officer of the Brigade the Number of Days Provisions in Store for the Troops

	Sick	Fatigue	Off	
1st Pensylvania	1	1	6	23
2d Pensylvania	1	1	2	17
	1	2	8	40

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Garrison Order May 19th 1781

No non commissioned Officer or Soldier is to be permitted to Leave West Point without a written Pass from the Commanding Officer of his Regiment

Division Order May 19th 1781

It is directed that the Camp Guards after being paraded march to the Center of the Division & there be inspected by the Capt. of the Day & that the old Officer of the Day be relieved by the New & the usual Honors paid to the Capt. as Officer of the Day

Division Order May 20th 1781

The Guards at the Redoubts Ferry & Constitution Island to be relieved tomorrow Morning

	Lt	S	C	P
1	1	3	2	4 31
2	1	3	1	2 4 24
		3	4	8 55

	S	C	P
Redoubts	1	2	4 20
Ferry	1	1	1 12
Marsh	0	0	1 5
Constitution	1	1	2 15
	3	4	8 55

a Corpl from the 2d Reg. & a Private from each the other to be sent tomorrow Morning at 6 O'Clock to West Point to fetch Stores to Preston

Division Orders May 21st 1781

All Sutlers Hucksters or Traders not inlisted & belonging to some particular Regiment (except Sawkett & Chilson) shall leave the Camp within Forty eight Hours & any Effects left behind shall be forfeited — The Officer of the Day & the Police Officer are desired to make search & seize the Effects of any such for the Use of the Public & secure their Persons to be brought to Trial by Court Martial for Disobedience of Orders

Garrison West Point May 21st 1781

A General Court Martial to sit immediately for the Trial of such Prisoners as may be brought before them —

Lieut Col. Smith President Six Commissioned officers to be sent from each of the Brigades on the Point Members

New Windsor May 20th 1781

A Serg.t Corpl & 12 Men to be sent to New Windsor this Day to Escort a Quantity of Military Stores to Trenton also a Corpl & three Men to be sent to the Adj.t General as a Guard — this

This Cast to be released at the same Time the Small Guards at New Windsor & Newburgh are relieved

Garrison West Point May 22: 1781

A General Court Martial compos'd of Officers of the Artillery Lieut Col. Stephen President is assemble at the Park at 10 o'Clock tomorrow Morning for the Trial of such Prisoners of that Corps as may be brought before them all Evidences to attend

The D. Masters of Brigades & Corps are forthwith to make Returns to the D.M.G. General of every Species of public Property in their Hands & Possession of the several Brigade & Corps. including in the Returns all Waggon or other Carriages with their Harness & Gears

Detail for N. Windsor & Newburgh

		S	Sar.	C	P
Connecticut	1	1	0	1	15
	2	1	0	1	12
		1	1	2	27

Garrison Orders May 22. 1781

A Fatigue Party to remove the unfixed Arms in the Care of Conductor Clark of a Capt 2 Subs 3 Serg & 60 Men to parade upon Morning at Troop beating a Capt & 5 Men at six o'Clock to be sent to D.M.G. Lee

1	31	1	2	34	for Lee	7 3
2	30	1	1	32		0 2

Head Quarters New Windsor May 21st 1781

Lieut Dispanden of Col Hazen's Regt is appointed to superintend the Hospital at Fishkill untill farther Order he will call on the Adjt General for Instructions previous to entering on that Duty — a Cooper to be sent to attend Commissary Wendels Store at New Windsor untill farther Order —

Division Orders May 21st 1781

The Guard at the Continental Village to be relieved tomorrow Morning Detail Frs 3 1-0-2-11
2 Bs 0 1-1-10
1-1-3-21

Head Quarters New Windsor May 25th 1781

Ens M Rudenbush on the 2d Reg of Artillery charges with [illegible] Lieuts Joel Dermott & Edward Cuthell Roberts on the same Reg charged with Disobedience of Orders in not marching with the Detachment of Col Hazens Regt under their command & Lieut Roberts with Ens M Rudenbush to receive 100 Lashes on his naked Back with a Cat & Nine Tails Lieut Dermott & Lieut Cuthell to receive 50 Lashes on their naked Backs with a Cat & Nine Tails

Major General St Clair approves the above Sentence & orders the
executio as soon as convenient.

Division orders May 27th 1781

The Guards at the Redoubts Ferry &c to be relieved tomorrow Morning

Head Quarters New Windsor May 27th 1781

The Commander in Chief pleased to order that no Furlough or
Men as are not expected ~~to return~~ to do Duty with their Arms (viz. Genl
Field & Staff Officers Servants, Waggoners Butchers Bakers Commissary &
Forage Masters Assistants & one Armourer for each Regiment with
to which a Traveling Forge is attached be returned on extra Service
but all other on Duty in Camp or Garrison whether with Arms or
without or occasionally employed as Artificers (except Guards pleas for
the Security of Magazines of Ammunition Clothing or Provision not
Garrison) be returned present on Duty & comprised in the Returns for
Action. That Men detached beyond the ordinary Limits of Camp or
Garrison for Duty whether the Service they are ordered on is Regular with or without

Arms & all Guards for Magazines not in Garrison be returned on
Command. — That the Men on Duty Command & extra
ce are to go for with the utmost Precision specifying where they are
what Duty they are on, Time of Absence & whose Order. That the Troops
on the Lines & such as are on Duty from the Continental Village Fishkill
& at Montgomery & Newburgh inclusive (except Magazine Guards) be
considered fit for Action. — That as the regulated Camp & Garrison
ers of every Brigade will in ordinary Cases be comparatively the Sam
— Adjutant General will not give Credit in his Estimate for Men
on Duty by any other than General Orders. ——— That the Commandi
officers of Regiments & Corps cause Advertisements to be immediately
serted in the Public News Papers requiring such of their Men as are
h Absent in different Parts of the Country & in Military Hospitals or
Furloughs established or returned absent under H. & & are not punctually
ent to join their respective Corps or give Information where
are & the Cause of Detention within a reasonable Time or in
default

being treated as Deserters — That no Physician or Surgeon shall Furlough a Soldier on any Pretence except within the Vicinity of the Hospital where they may at any Time be called upon — When a Change of Air may contribute to reestablish the Health of a convalescent Patient or when a more than ordinary length of Time is required to bring it about The Physician or Surgeon having the Direction of the Hospital where such Patient may be is to certify his Case to the Officer commanding the Brigade Regiment or Corps to which he belongs who may grant him a Furlough provided his former Character merits the Indulgence That every such Soldier whose Complaints requires his being removed from his Corps or Command be sent to the Hospital if there be one within convenient Distance — The Brigade Regimental Returns will be made in future agreable to the Form given out this Day — All absent Officers not on public Duty by Order of the Commander in Chief or not appointed by proper Authority under him to recruit forward on the Recruits and to join their respective Regiments immediately no Exemption can be admitted No more Furloughs are to be given

[illegible] the End of the Campaign [illegible] Furlough [illegible] of which the General Officer commanding the Corps is to be the Judge

All Soldiers on Furlough are to be immediately ordered to join their respective Regiments ——

The Commander in Chief does in particular prohibit [illegible] under any Pretence whatever commanding Officers of Regiments discharging Soldiers before the Term for which they are engaged is expired and he is equally positive in forbidding the Exchange of Men unless both are produced to the General Officer commanding the Corps Approbation obtained which is to be certified in the Discharge

No more Recruits are to be discharged from the Hospitals but such as are brought in for Service by the Inspectors of the different States Lines to which they are to be sent to the Adjutant General for further Examination

Head Quarters New Windsor Monday May 28th 1781

Each Regiment in the New Hampshire Massachusetts Rhode Island Connecticut New York & New Jersey Lines is ordered to furnish two able bodied Men (engaged for three Years or during the War) as first Recruits that join them to be incorporated with the Corps of Sappers & Miners on the same Principle with those already drafted for that Corps ——— That Part of Col. Van Schaicks Reg.t stationed on West Point is to be held in Readiness to move on the shortest Notice; all Detachments or Men on other Duty from it are to be immediately relieved & called in

Division Order May 28th 1781

A Battalion will be formed from this Division daily to be turned out at 6 o Clock in the Afternoon & exercised by a Field Officer two Hours it will consist of 8 Capts 10 Subs 26 Serg.ts 16 Drums & Fifes & 256 Rank & File on

Adjutant will attend at Formation & Exercise For Exercise tomorrow Col. Hay & Maj.r Lee from the 1st Brigade

Garrison at Fort Pitt Wednesday May 25th 1781

Lieut Cole of the 11th Massachusetts Regt is appointed Aide de Camp to Brigadier General Patterson he is to be respected & obeyed as such & entitled to the Emoluments of that Office from the 15th inst.

Head Quarters West Point May 30th 1781

At a General Court Martial held at Philadelphia April 4th 1781 by Order of Maj. Gen. St Clair whereof Major Hamilton was President Lieut. Johnbrigham of the 3d Pensylvania Regt was charged with spending or misapplying Money given him for the purpose of paying the third Company & Guards was tried & found guilty of the Charge being a breach of the 11th Article Section 12 of the Articles of War & sentenced to be cashiered.

The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence. He is sorry he cannot in Compliance with the Recommendation of the Court restore Lieut Bingham to his former Rank & Command.

Reasons which have been assigned by him for applying the publick
Money committed to his Care to other Purposes than those for which
it was intended are not in the General Opinion sufficient to
Justify the Breach of Trust

At a General Court Martial held at the Park of Artillery by the
Order of Major General St Clair & continued by Adjournment from the
22d to the 25th of May inclusive Lieut Hall Staves President Lieut Silly
Mathews in the 2d Regiment of Artillery charged with repeated Desertion
Benjamin Hadley Matross in the 3d Regt charged with Desertion
& reinlisting; Robert Barker in the same Regt charged with Desertion
& attempting to go to the Enemy were tried found guilty & sentenced
to Suffer Death more than two thirds of the Court agreeing thereto
The Commander in Chief approves the above Sentences

Until a more extensive Plan for Exercising & manoeuvering can
be adopted the Commander in Chief hopes & expects Officers of every
Branch will pay particular attention to the Instruction of the Recruits

agreeable to the 5th Chapter of the Regulations for the Order & Discipline of the Army — excepting such of those Men as are already acquainted with the different Articles explained in the 5th Section of the 6th Chapter of the same Regulations ——

Head Quarters, New Windsor Thursday 24 May 1781

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to pass the following Resolution — The United States in Congress assembled May 4th 1781

Resolved that Wm Hutchins be appointed Geographer for the Southern Army with the same Pay and Emoluments as are allowed to the Main Army ——

May 8th 1781 resolved — That the Commander in Chief is hereby authorized & directed to arrange Brigade Chaplains of the several State Lines serving in the Army — and the Commander General of the Southern Army those of Lines serving with that Army so as to retain in Service no more Chaplains of each Line than are equal to the Number of Brigades — But every one deemed unfit by the Board of War to be supernumerary be no longer ——

Service & be entitled to five depreciation made grad & to the half Pay of Captains for Life

Resolved That the Commanding General at West Point for the Time being receive the extra Allowance granted an Officer commanding in a Separate Department until the further Order of Congress

As a considerable Proportion of the Troops in this Army will consist of Recruits but little accustomed to military Service & as the Season for commencing the Campaign is so near at Hand as to afford but a small opportunity at best for instructing them in the Duties of their Profession. The General is extreamly solicitous that the intermediate Space between the present Moment & that of taking the Field should be wholly occupied in Disciplining & forming them. He calls upon Officers of every Rank in a most perfing Manner to devote themselves personally & unremittingly agreable to the Orders of Yesterday to an Object of so great Importance to their own Reputation &

well as the good of the Public Service ——

The Adjutant General will also have the Exercising & Manouvering of the Troops as far as their dispers'd Situation & the other Duties of his Office will permit ——

He will begin with the Guards of the Commander in Chief & attend the Cantonments of the other Corps at such Times as he shall appoint he is requested likewise to report with great Precision from Time to time the State of Discipline of the several Regiments noting the extraordinary Proficiency any particular Corps may make & the apparent Want of it which may be visible in others ——

As soon as the Army is drawn together the Commander in Chief will judge for himself of the Attention which shall have paid to this Order ——

Col. Hazen's Regiment will hold itself in Readiness to march at the shortest Notice ——

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The Adjutant General will inspect the Rhode Island Brig on Saturday next it is therefore ordered that the same be in as complete a State as possible & under Arms for that Purpose at 6 O Clock in the Morning of that Day —

Division Order May 31st 1781 —

The 1st Brigade will attend Muster & Inspection on Saturday next at 9 O Clock in the forenoon & the 2 Brigade at 3 O Clock in the afternoon of the same Day — Company Reports will be made out The 2d Master & Conductor will give in Returns stating the Alteration of Arms Accoutrements & Ammunition from the 1st to the 22d Day inclusive of the present Month —

A Court Martial will sit tomorrow Morning 8 O Clock for the Trial of such Prisoners as may be brought before them Major Clift President 4 Capts & 3 Subs from the 1st Brigade 3 Capts & two Subs from the 2d Brigade to attend as Members — Lieut Fanning will officiate as Judge Advocate —

Garrison Order signed the 1st of 81

Capt Hazen's Men in the Detachment under the Command of Capt Seammell is immediately to be supplied by a Captain & Men of the same Regiment. The D.M.G. are to see that a sufficient Number of Teams & Drivers are furnished for each Reg.t without Delay. 2 Seamen for Doctr Terry from the Brig

Head Quarters New Windsor May 31st 1781

Lieut Boyd Aide de Camp of the 5th Massachusetts Reg.t is appointed until further Order to superintend the General military Hospital at Fishkill in the room of Lieut Defander of Capt Hazen's who appointed in after Order the 21st instant by Mistake

Head Quarters New Windsor June 1st 1781

Commanding Officers of Regiments & Brigades are desired to pay particular attention to prevent the Soldiers from injuring the Huts when they quit them & to warn the Inhabitants in the

Vicinity not to meddle with or destroy them ——

after Orders ——

The Jrs Companies of Col. Van Schaicks at W. Point &c
ready to move as soon as the D. W. Master has provided
Vessels — The Regimental D. W. to apply to the D. W. Master
to know when the Vessels will be ready & at what Place

Garrison West Point June 3. 1781 — Genl Howe's Orders —
The Troops of every Line will hold themselves in Readiness to act
upon the shortest Notice

Brigadier Genl Paterson will report to Genl Howe this afternoon the
strength of the several Detachments from the Troops of this Department
the Officers commanding them, the Object of the Command and the
Time to which they were ordered — he will also give in a Detail of
the Guards where posted, of the Number of Men appointed to each
Work & of the Provision & Stores which each of them is endowed with —
The Commanding Officer of Artillery will report the State of the Magazines
& give an exact Detail of the same ——

The Commissary of Stores will make an immediate Inclosure of the Stores on Hand & instantly report all Quantities arriving. The Deputy Genl will give in the Day a general Return of the Troops.

Orderly Hours at Head Quarters will be at 10 in the Morning at the Deputy Genl at 11. The Dpt Gr will attend at the former the orderly Officer at the Latter precisely at the Time mentioned ——

The General upon examining the Barracks & surveying the Camp was struck with Astonishment & Concern at the dirty Situation of each They were absolutely Nauseous offensive & unwholesome — Cleanliness is Essential to the Health of the Men all Officers must know this & all Officers [illegible] attend to it —— The General expects it of all & very particularly is the immediate Duty it is —— A sufficient Fatigue Party is to be warned this Duty — to clean the Camp they are to be at Work at 5 o'Clock tomorrow Morning at farthest — Filth of every kind is to be buried to prevent Stench or burned —. The Fatigue is to be continued by Rotation until this salutary Purpose is effected the Regimental Dr Wgns are to see that the Barracks are immediately made clean & kept so

Genl Orders

General Howe will not content himself with merely Issuing the Orders but will attend to & enforce the Execution of them — Negligence certainly will not escape his Observation & will as certainly meet his Censure & reprehension ——

Division Orders June 8. 1781 ——

A Court Martial (Court Martial of which Maj. Clift is President was this day tried Rufus Hawthorn of the late 4th Regt. for repeated Desertion changing his Name & inlisting into another Corps found guilty of the Charges & Sentenced to receive 25 Lashes on his naked Back each four Months successively. at the same Court was tried Martin McNary of the late 3d Regt. for Desertion found guilty & Sentenced to receive 50 Lashes on his naked Back & serve the Term of three Years (for which he is Inlisted) from this Date. The Col. Commandt approves the Sentence of the Court & orders them put in Execution To morrow morning at Troop beating. For Exercise this Morning the same as is laid out for Friday last ——

Head Quarter Near Windsor June 5th 1781

Accurate Returns of the Number of Recruits joined the different State Lines & Corps of Artillery also the Number of Men returned as unfit for Service to be made to the Adjt Genl by Thursday next without fail

Division Orders June 5th 1781

For Exercise Tomorrow

Adjt from the 1st Brigade

The Court Martial of which Major Clift is President have tried James Robinson who has acted as a Butler in the Commissaries Line charged "with buying public Clothing of the Soldiers "Altering Officers Orders from one Dollar to two more Dollars & "purchasing Soldiers State Notes for small Sums & thereby defrauding "them of their Property — The Court are of Opinion that he is not guilty of the 1st Part of the Charge, it appearing to them in his Liberty to purchase Soldiers Notes & as it was then a common

Practice conjectured a no Crime — The Court found him guilty of
disobeying Orders in not appearing without Intention of defrauding the
Soldiers & Sentence him to leave Camp & be debarred the Priviledge of
Gathering any more for the Line — Also Barnard Steven Soldier
in the 5th Regt & Eliphalet Nickerson Soldier of the late 5th Regt
were tried for Desertion found guilty & Sentenced Barnard Stevens
to receive fifty & Eliphalet Nickerson 100 Lashes on their naked
backs & that they compleat the Term of Service for which they
engaged — The Col. Commandg approves the foregoing Sentence
of the Court & orders Robinson to leave Camp immediately. The
punishment of Nickerson to take Place tomorrow at Troop beating
he is pleased on the Recommendation of the Court to remit the
Stripes ordered for Stevens

Division Order June 6th 1781 —

To parade & march immediately to relieve the Guards at Tilbitchell which are furnished from Col. Hazen's Regt. 1 Sergt. 5 Corpl. 2 Drums — a Captain from the 1st Brigade will repair to Tilbitchell and superintend the Relief of the Guards — —

Head Quarters Neil Windsor June 5th 1781 —

Col. Hazen's Regt. to embark tomorrow at Tilbitchell Landing where Transports are provided for them — —

The Honble. the Congress have been pleased to pass the following Resolves, by the United States in Congress assembled May 25th 1781. a Report of the Committee on a Letter of the 20th of March last from the Commander in Chief was taken into Consideration whereupon Resolved that Battalion Promotion in the Infantry & the Rank of Commissioned Officers in future when such Battalion is annexed to any State shall be in the Line of such State — That in Regiments of Infantry or Legionary Corps not annexed to any particular State Promotion & the Rank of

Commanding Officer inclusive be regimental or Leginary ——

That promotion in the Cavalry & Artillery be regimental to the Rank of Commanding Officer inclusive. That the Promotions of Battalion Officers to the Rank of Brigadier be confined to the following Districts in each of which Brigadiers when necessary shall be made from the Senior Officers of that District without Regard to any particular State —— That New Hampshire & Massachusetts be intitled to four Brigadiers, Rhode Island & Connecticut two Brigadiers New York & New Jersey including Colo Hazen's Reg't two Brigadiers Pennsylvania two Brigadiers Delaware & Maryland two Brigadiers Virginia three Brigadiers. North Carolina one Brigadier South Carolina & Georgia one Brigadier ——

That when ever a Brigadier shall be wanting for the Troops of either of those Districts he shall be made from the Senior Battalion Officer without regarding the State to which he belongs. That in the Cavalry & Artilery Brigadiers shall be made from the eldest Regimental Officers in the Corps

Corps respectively — That Majors [illegible] be made from the eldest Brigadier in the Army whether belonging to the Infantry, Cavalry or Artillery — That all Brigadiers hereafter to be made shall have relative Rank respectively with other Officers agreeable to the Date of their last Battalion Commissions Seniority of Appointment notwithstanding —

That Jacob Tilghman Esqr receive the Commission of Lieut Colonel in the Line of the Army & take Rank from the 1st of April 1777 — That Capt. James McHenry receive the Commission of Major in the Army of the United States to take Rank from the 30th of Octr last. That Officers not annexed to any Line of the Family of the Commander in Chief [illegible] having a Cadet Comp[an]y with other General Officers retain the Rank they now hold shall be eligible to Command upon the Establishment of such Command or Chief or Commanding Officer [illegible] Establishment from which proper

That all officers who are [illegible]

by the Enemy & are not continued in the Line of any State shall be entitled to their full pay untill redeemed & to half Pay for Life afterwards in the same Manner as Officers of equal Rank reduced by the late Arrangement & that it be recommended to the respective States in the Line of which they were at the Time of their becoming Hostages to make good to them their Depreciation & also to pay them such Sums as are or may become due to them & charge the same to the United States — That Lieut Colonels Commandant of Battalions be not considered in different Grades from other Lieut Colonels of the Line — The Commander in Chief thinks proper to direct that all Vacancies shall be filled to the present Time agreeably to the Rules of Promotion formerly established from this Period it is expected that bargaing Regulations respecting Promotions will be strictly adhered to throughout the Line of the Army —

Head Quarters near White Plains June 6th 1781

The Quarter Master General is immediately to take the necessary
for drawing together as many Tents & other Encampage as
will be sufficient to encamp the whole Army, he will report
to the Commander in Chief when he is ready to make a general
Delivery, that Order may be given accordingly.

The Arrangement of the Corps of Engineers & of Sappers
& Miners not having been completed when the Regulations for the
intire Formation of the Army were published in General Orders on
the 1st of last Inst. the Persons duly to act as Engineers not included
at that Time as mentioned in the Rules of Promotion published yesterday

But the Honble the Congress having by their Resolves of the 7th of this
last declared that the above mentioned Corps are to be put on an equal
Establishment with the Officers of the Lines the Officers belonging to them
are to be considered on an equal Footing in their respective Ranks

with those of Artillery Infantry & Cavalry & are to be respected accordingly

The Regimental Clothing of the New Hampshire Massachusetts Rhode Island & Connecticut Lines are called upon to deliver at the Adjut. General Office by the 15th Instant accurate Returns of the Clothing drawn & delivered by them to their respective Regts for the present year The regimental Clothing of the New York & New Jersey Lines & Col. Sheyen's Regt will make similar Returns within the present Month

General Du Portail's Guard to be immediately augmented to a Serg. Corpl. & 14 Men — The Adjt. Genl will tomorrow superintend the exercising Josh of the Troops of the Massachusetts Line as can be drawn out for that Purpose he requests they may be on the grand Parade at West Point by 7 o'Clock in the Morning formed into Squads greater or smaller as to the Battalions

Proficiency they have made in Discipline

Division Orders June 9th 1781

When a Non commissioned Officer Party passes a Commission
they are to carry Arms a Single Soldier or two or three when
without a Non commissioned Officer with their Arms meet a
Commissioned Officer halt, front & carry Arms at least six
Paces before the Officer gets to him & remains in that Posture
until the Officer has passed, if a Non commissioned Officers Party
or Single Soldier overtakes & passes an Officer they are to
carry Arms, the same as if an Officer is standing or sitting &
when a Soldier without Arms meets an Officer he will halt
at the same Distance as with Arms front & salute the Officer
Cap with his right Hand & bring it down with the whole Length
of the Arm in a graceful easy Posture when an Officer speaks to

Soldier his Hat must be taken off in the same Manner as when
Passing him always remembering to Cock the Officer full in
the Face if the Soldier has Arms in his Hands he is to recover
them briskly when speaking to an Officer in room of taking
off his Hatt & continue in that Position until the Officer has
done speaking with him — all Sentries must present their Arms
to General Officers & to the Field Officers of their own Regiments
to all other Commissioned Officers they stand with Shouldered Arms
after a Great beating no Honors to be paid — It is expected that
these Orders are strictly attended to by all Soldiers without the Limits
of Sentinals or the common Limits of Camp; when in Camp the
usual Custom of Lifting the Hat without Stopping —

There is not any thing more important to the Introducing of
Regularity into a Reg.t than the Noncommissioned Officers having
a proper Command over the Men & supporting a Dignity suitable to

Line Relieves in order to this a certain Distinction is necessary to be observed & there is a Respect due from the Soldier to the Serjeant The Soldier must observe whenever a Serjt enters his Quarters Guard or else take off his Hatt in a graceful Manner after which he may set on unless the Serjt has some Orders to deliver him in which Case he must stand with his Hatt off till the Serjt shall have communicated the Orders & when the Noncommissioned Officer retires the same Attention must be paid him as at his entering

The Commandg Officer of the Line appoints
of the above Orders
to be published

Division orders June 7th 1781

Roll to be made tomorrow Morning of the Names of Officers in each Regiment & the Time they happened

The Division Court Martial of which Lieut Col Hay was President dissolved 1 Sub 2 Serjts 1 Corpl & 14 Private to remain Tents in the Line

Division Order June 8th 1781 —

Return of the Names of those who are recommended for
Promotion to fill any present Vacancies in their Regt, they are
also requested to give in the Names of a sufficient Number of
Persons such as they would choose to fill the remaining Vacancies
A Court of Inquiry at which Major Clift will preside to set
to morrow Morning at 9 O Clock to examine into & report their
Opinion concerning the Case of Pomp Liberty Soldier in the 4th
Regiment now confined on Suspicion of Murder whether there is
sufficient Cause for the Accusation of wilful Murder, one Capt
from each Brigade to attend as Members —

Lieut Robinson of the 4th Regt being intitled to that Rank, the 2d
of October 1780 is to do the Duty of a Lieut & take Rank as such
from the Time — For Exercise tomorrow Col Butler
Adjt from the 2d Brigade

Parsippany Wednesday 7th 1781—

The Court of Inquiry appointed on Orders of Yesterday, have reported that after hearing the Defence of Corpl Liberty they are of Opinion he is guilty of Manslaughter but not of Murder The Commander of the Division approves the Opinion of the Court & orders him to be remanded to the Main—

Head Quarters Sunday June 10th 1781—

While the Troops continue in their present Position the Adjt General will attend the exercising of the Connecticut Line on Mondays & Thursdays, of the Troops on the Point on Tuesdays Fridays & at the Hampshire Huts on Saturdays— The Commanding Officer or Inspector of the Connecticut Line will please to fix on a Spot of Ground for exercising & send a Person to the Landing at 6 & 7 o Clock tomorrow Morning to conduct the Adjutant General to it

Division Orders June 10th 1781—

The whole of the Troops not on Duty will turn out tomorrow Morning at six o'Clock for exercise with a sufficient number of Officers & March by Regiments to the Ground used for manouvering they will be on the Field precisely at Seven—The Guards in Camp will not be relieved untill after the exercise

Head Quarters New Windsor June 7th 1781—

Troop Lee Soldier in the 5th Massachusetts Reg.t tried the 5th of June by a general Court Martial whereof Lieu.t Col.o Ledlam is P.st for repeated Desertion changing his Name & inlisting into the New Hampshire Line was found guilty & sentenced to suffer Death The Commander in Chief approves of the sentence.

Head Quarters New Windsor June 8th 1781

On the Entreaty of his Friends & the Interposition of a Number of Gentlemen the Commander in Chief is pleased to Pardon William King of the 1st New York Regt now under Sentence of Death

(Division Orders June 11th 1781

For Exercise Tomorrow Lieut Col Commandt Berman

(Division Orders June 12th 1781

For Exercise tomorrow Col Johnson

Detachment from the 2d Brigade

The Guards to be relieved tomorrow Morning at Fishkill

West Point Garrison Orders June 13th 1781

Nine Artificers to be taken out from the Line & delivered over to the Charge of Capt Rochefontaine

Division Orders June 13th 1781

For Exercise tomorrow Maj. Clift Adjt. from the 1st Brigade
Fatigue at West Point to be relieved

Garrison West Point June 14th 1781

The Army will probably take the Field in a few Days —
Officers will immediately be making Preparations for it we
shall in all Likelyhoods be in Contact with the Army of our
Illustrious Ally — consisting of some of the first Officers & best
disciplined Troops in Europe every laudable Sentiment of Pride
every Sense of Honor every Principle of Patriotism & Zeal for our
united Cause impel our utmost Exertions to be in the best possible
Order — The Disadvantages & Difficulties which from inevitable
Circumstances we Labour under instead of depressing should inspire us
to surmount them, that we are involved in them is only our Misfortune
not to make Efforts to conquer them will be our Fault & if we can not

not be as well prepared as we ought at least let us be as much as we can ——

Genl Howe call upon every Officer he has the Honour to Command to second him in his Endeavours for this noble Purpose & place the utmost Reliance upon their exertions for all — as the present situation of affairs will not admit of much Baggage being taken into the Field Genl Howe strongly recommends to the Officers immediately to dispose of all Baggage they can possibly do without in such Places as they think proper

Garrison West Point June 15th 1781 ——

A Court of Inquiry to set tomorrow at 9 o'clock at some convenient Place consisting of one Field Officer two Captains & two Lieuts taken by Lieut Col Sheldon to inquire into the Conduct of Ensign French who having been acquitted upon his trial for taking a Bounty as a Recruit in the Massachusetts Line petitioned for an Inquiry —

Fine

Thirty Men are to be detached from the Line for a Week's Fatigue &
to be the Orders from the Garrison Dr Staff

Head Quarters Neu Windsor June 13th 1781—

Fifty Boat Builders & Ship Carpenters or other Carpenters
to compleat the Deficiency of the former — Twenty four Wood Cutters
& four Nail Makers to be immediately sent to the D.W.M. Genl —

Head Quarters Neu Windsor June 14th 1781—

The Regimental Surgeons are requested to make Returns
immediately to the Chief Physician & Surgeon of the Army of
the Medicines on Hand & what Articles they are in Want of
that they may receive Orders on the Apothecary at Fishkill
to supply them as far as Stores on Hand will admit of—

An accurate Return of all Women in the Army who draw

Provision

Provision from the Public is to be given in at the orderly Office as soon as may be.

The D.M.G. is immediately to make the best Provision of Straw in his Power at or near Peekskill for the Use of the Troops who are to be encamped at those Places

Head Quarters New Windsor June 15th 1781

It is with Singular Pleasure the Commander in Chief congratulates the Army on the Success of our Arms under Maj. General Greene in South Carolina — On the 10th of May Lord Rawdon who commanded the Post of Camden was compelled evacuate it with great Precipitation and Marks of Distress. after destroying the Stores & Barracks Buildings &. leaving three Officers & Fifty eight Men who were too badly wounded to be removed ——— on

On the 11th the strong Post of Orangeburgh surrendered to General Sumpter upon his making Preparations to invest it — a Colonel with several other Officers & upwards of eighty Men were made Prisoners ——

On the 12th the Garrison of Fort Matt consisting of one Captain three Lieuts — three Ensigns one Serg.t Major 4 Serg.ts & Corp.ls 2 Drums & Fifes & one Hundred Sixty five Privates surrendered Prisoners of War to Brigadier General Marion who carried his Approaches to the Foot of the Abbatis and on the 15th Fort Granby surrendered by Capitulation to Lieut Col.o Lee The Troops composing the Garrison consisted of 1 Lieut Col.o 2 Majors 6 Capts 6 Lieuts 3 Ensigns 1 Surgeon 2 Serg.t Majors 4 Serg.ts 9 Corp.ls & 305 Privates Considerable Quantities of Stores & Provisions were also Captured at the several Posts ——

&c

The General has the further Pleasure of informing the Army that the Fort of Augusta & Ninety Six were invested by General Pickens & must in all Probability have fallen before this Time as General Green had also marched his Army & assisted in the Reduction of them.

The Brilliant & repeated Successes which reflects so much Glory on the Southern Army will be attended with the most important Consequences to those States & are a happy Presage of our being able speedily to expel the Enemy from every Part of the Continent with proper Exertions.

David Cobb Esq. Lieut Col. of the 9th Massachusetts Regt is appointed aide Camp to the Commander in Chief & is to be obeyed & respected accordingly.

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No Men to be transferrd to the Corps of Invalids till further Order ——— Returns of the Names Rank & Date of Commissions of the Field Officers of the Main Army to be given in at the orderly Office on Monday next.

Garrison West Point June 16th 1781—

An exact Report of the Number of Fatigue Men with the Nature of the Fatigue they are detailed for it is to be made by the D. A. Genl. to General Howe tomorrow Morning—

The Provost Guard with Prisoners whose Crimes are amenable to Brigade & regimental Courts Martial — those in that Circumstance are to be remanded to their proper Guards & tried by Courts of that Dignity — & Prisoners of that Sort are in future to be confined in the Brigade or regimental Guards [redacted] tried by Brigade or Regimental Courts Martial

Francis

Francis Smith of the 10th Massachusetts Regt has been tried by a Court Martial for Desertion & attempting to join the Enemy he is found guilty only of the 1st Charge ——

James Craik of the 5th Massachusetts Regt has been also tried & found guilty of Desertion both are sentenced to receive 100 Lashes on their bare backs — These Sentences are Ratified & are to be carried into Execution at Roll Call this Evening

The other Sentences are under Consideration ——

(Division Orders June 17th 1781 ——

The Guards at the Redoubts & Constitution Island to be relieved to morrow Morning ——

Head Quarters New Windsor June 17th 1781 —

A Detachment to be immediately drawn from the different Brigades for the Garrison of West Point agreable to the following Return viz. Their Names Commissioned Officers & Privates to be composed of such as are the weakest & least fit for the Field — 1 Regt 157 Men

Head Quarters New Windsor June 15th 1781

The Troops at West Point & in the Vicinity of it will be Brigaded as follows & encamp in that Order when they remove to Peckskill till then no alteration will be made in the present Disposition of them

When the Troops Assemble at Peckskill General M.Dougall is to take command of the Post of West Point & its Dependencies and will remain there till the Army commences its Operations

when he will be relieved ——————

Head Quarters New Windsor June 19th 1781—

The Army will march for its Incampment in the Vicinity of Peekskill in the following Order and on the Days named if the Weather will permit — 1st The Division commanded by Major General Parsons agreable to the Arrangement of Yesterday on Thursday the 21st next, General Lincoln's Division on the 22d ——————

Then General Howe's on the 23d —— The 2d M.r General will point out the Ground ——————

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The Officers commanding their Divisions will make the necessary arrangement with the D.M.r General for Removing the Troops to their Ground providing them with Tents &c The Detachments intended to garrison West Point & its Dependencies are to repair to the Barracks on West Point as their Divisions respectively march. General Knox will furnish such Field Pieces to each Division when it marches as he can conveniently man without interrupting the important Work he has in Hand ——

The Corps of Sappers & Miners may remain when General Du Portail (who will have Respect to the Business they are now engaged in) shall order ——

A Capt 5 Subs 6 Serg.ts & 100 R.& F. of the best Marksmen in the Army are to be drawn from the Line at Large in as equal Proportion as such men can be had & placed under the Command of Major Darby who is to receive all the Boats ordered to West Point, & will post them in the best Order he can —— Major Darby will consult with

with the Adjutant General & give every Aid in his Power
to collect the Boats in the Rivers to that Point & will
determine what Repairs it may be in his Power to
bestow on them that Measures may be taken accordingly
The Difficulty of Transportation must be too obvious to the
army to need Explanation but were the Case otherwise the
Operations of the Campaign will more than probably be of
such a Nature as to make it not only advisable but
perfectly Necessary to encumber the Field as little as possible
with Baggage ——— The Commander in Chief does therefore
in the most pointed Terms recommend to Officers of every Rank
commanding Corps & direct them selves & every Species of Baggage
that they can possibly do without & will see that all Officers
under their respective Orders do the like & that timely admonition
is disregarded they must abide the Consequences ———
No Woman will be suffered to ride in the Waggons or walk

in

in the Ranks this Campaign unless there is very particular Reasons for it of which the General officers or Officer commanding the Division or Brigade to which they belong is to be the judge a written Permission only will avail without this the Officers of the Day or Police are not only authorised to turn them out but are required to inflict instant Punishment upon those who shall be found transgressing this Order ——

Every Mess must carry its own Camp Kettles unless otherwise directed in general Orders —— Officers of every Rank are to consider themselves responsable for the Orders of this Day so far as it respects the Corps they command & report Delinquencies to others ——

Capt Lieut Gilliland of the Corps of Sappers & Miners is promoted to the Rank of Captain in the same vice Capt M Murry resigned the 1st of June 1781 — And Capt Lieut Bushnal of the same Corps is promoted to the Rank of Captain vice Bibee resigned the 8th of June 78[illegible] Jonathan Lawrance Esq Lieut in Lt Col Maclean's Reg is appointed Captain in the Corps of Sappers & Miners his Commission to bear

Date from the 12th of June 1781 — a Return to be made to the Adjutant General by this day next from each Reg.t of all the men by Name that are acquainted with the Use of Rifles —

Garrison West Point June 19th 1781 —

Necessity having induced the Necessity of taking the Flour from the Redoubts they are as immediately as possible to be furnished with the same Quantity — The Deputy Adjutant General will Detail a proper Fatigue for this Purpose when the Commissary requires it — when the Flour is lodged in the Redoubts the Officers then commanding are to give in an exact Return of the Provision lodged in the Works under their Command — & keep a Copy of the Return to deliver over to the Commanding Officer & in their daily Reports they are to mention that the Provision remains in the State agreable to the Returns only Alterations should take Place which are instantly to be reported — — Some Officers having ventured to call in Men

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detailed for Fatigue by which many Disappointments happen in the Works this is not to be repeated —

Division Orders June 19th 1781 —

Ensign Whiting of the 3d Reg.t is to do the Duty of Lieutenant vice Lieut. Allyn promoted Feb.y 10th 1781 — Ens.n Denmark of the same Reg.t is to do the Duty of Lieut.t vice Lieut. Parsons resigned May 4th 1781 — until the Pleasure of the State shall be known they are to be obeyed & reputed accordingly —

An Officer of each Reg.t is to call at the Store of the Cloathier at W.m Knap's this afternoon to examine the Cloathing on Hand & report the Quality — The Pay Master of the Jersey Reg.t will send tomorrow for the Proportion of Cloathing to be issued to this & future Regim.ts —

Division Orders June 20th 1781 —

The Division will be furnished with Teams tomorrow Morning to carry their Baggage & three Teams to carry the Baggage unnecessary for the Field to Danbury or elsewhere The Troops will beat at Nine & the March begin at half after Nine by the Way of Nelson's East of the North Redoubt the Baggage in the Rear — The old & new Camp Guards under the Direction of the Officers of the Day will form the Front & Rear Guards The Div.n will

attend with the Pioneers — The D.M.G. will apply this afternoon at West Point for their Proportion of Tents which are to be transported by Water to Peeks hill Landing & from thence be removed by Teams which carry the other Baggage —

Division Orders Peeks hill June 22d 1781 —

Mr Phinehas Beckwith is to do the Duty of Ensign in the 1st Regt in the Vacancy occasioned by Lieut Adams resigning Mr Joseph Rogers of Ensign in the 2d Regt vice Ensign Noyce who declined his Appointment they are to be obeyed & reputed as such until the Pleasure of the State is known

The Division Parade is assigned near the Road between the Brigades —

Division Orders June 23d 1781 —

Captain Morris being a Prisoner at the time of his Promotion & having no Opportunity of being heard on his Claim of Rank with Captain Lee a Court of Inquiry is therefore to set this afternoon at the President Marqs to hear the Claims of those Officers & report with their Opinion —

Col. Butler is to preside a Captain from each the 2d 4th Regt Members

Divisjon Orders June 24th 1781

The Commanding Officers of Regiments are directed to furnish the Officers & Men wanting to complete their Detail for the Post of West Point & its Dependences & a List of the Names of the Officers & Men & what Duty they were sent on already furnished as well as of those to complete tomorrow Morning on the Divisjon Parade where Capt Pittwill will receive them

A Fatigue Party of a Serg.t & 12 Men to parade at 6 o Clock tomorrow Morning with Axes to go to Beekman's House Detail

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1	B	1	0	6	3
2	B	0	1	6	3

Morning Divisjon Orders June 25th 1781

A General Court Martial to sit this Morning at 10 o Clock at the Presidents Marquee to try such Prisoners as shall come before them Col. Swift to preside 3 Capts & 3 Subs from each Brigade Members Lieut & Pay Master Sherman to attend as Judge Advocate all Persons concerned to attend

Divisjon Orders

Division Order June 26th 1781

The General defires the commanding Officers of Brigs to pay particular Attention to the Inftruction & Difcipline of the Men when any Opportunity prefents & while lying in the prefent Encampment directs that they be exercised by Battalion & taught the Manoeuvres from 4 o Clock each afternoon when the Weather permits and in the Morning

That they Exercise in Detail & practice the manuel, marching & wheeling at the different Times & breaking off by Sections & marching by Files

That each Brigade furnish a Battalion of one Field & 15 Commissioned Officers 26 Serjts 16 Musick & 576 File, fufficient to form a Battalion & more if able; to exercise on the Ground South of the General Quarters

The General thinks it neceffary to remind the Officers of the General Orders of last Campaign to prevent that Deftruction of Timber in pealing off the Bark

Division Order June 26th 1781

At a Division Court Martial of which Col Swift is Prefident Edward Crow of the 4th Connecticut Regt Daniel Dean of the 2 Regt Tho. Conally & David Kenny of the 1st Regt were tried for Deftion found guilty & Sentenced to receive one hundred Lathes each the Sentence are approved & Edward Crow & Tho. Conally are to receive the Punishment

Punishment tomorrow Morning at Guard Mounting — David Kinny for his Ignorance of the Rules & Usages of the Army & other Circumstances ~~effect~~ reported by the Court is ordered to join his Reg.t & the corporal Punishment is remitted. Daniel Keen will be continued under Guard for further Consideration —

A Fatigue Party without Arms to be sent to Head Quarters immediately 1 Serj.t & 12 from 1.st Brigade .. tomorrow from 2. Brigade continued —

Head Quarters Peekskill Wednesday June 27.th 1781

Parole New York
Officers of the Day } Maj.r General Lord Sterling
Lt.Col Swift
Lt.Col Sproat
Deputies 1.st Connecticut Brigade

Signs } Bedford
Tappan

Capt. Sanderson
Bombardiers
Corporal
Royal Deux ponts

The Commander in Chief has the Pleasure of announcing to the Army the Approach of the Troops of his most Christian Majesty under the Command of his Excellency Lieut. General Count de Rochambeau — The General assures himself that it will be needless to recommend to the Officers & Soldiers of the American Army a

a Cultivation of Acquaintance & Friendship with our generous Allies Policy strongly dictates the Measure, but we hope they will be influenced by a nobler Motive Gratitude —

To the Officers of all Ranks the General recommends the strictest Attention to their several Duties. To those of the Day & on Guard he particularly enjoins the most pointed Observance of the Rules and Regulations for the Establishment of Discipline. & dependant on the Necessity of the ultimate Care & Circumspection at all Times we shall be more than commonly bound to conduct them henceforward we shall be daily under the Eyes of Officers of the first Reputation improved by long Service & there is Nothing which contributes more to establish the military Character of a People than a Performance of their Duties with Alertness Precision & Uniformity —

A General Officer & two Field Officers of the Day are to be appointed to regulate & visit the Guards & to superintend the Police of the Army they will as soon as may be reconnoitre the Environs of Camp and after examining the Approaches to the Army they will determine the Positions proper for the Guards & report the same to the Commander

in Chief — Chains of Sentinels are to be regularly established from the Several Camp Guards no Soldiers are to be suffered to go beyond the Limits of this Encampment without Passes from the Commanding Officers of their Regt in Writing — every Soldier found Straggling without such a written Permission is to be apprehended & confined — and every Officer is most earnestly requested to consider it as a Part of his Duty to see this Order invariably carried into Execution — The General expects the strictest Attention will be paid to the Preservation of the Inclosures and to prevent the Distinction of every Species of private Property.

All Deserters & Persons from the Enemy's Lines are to be sent immediately under a small guard to H Quarters —

Division Orders June 27th 1781

Captain Cogswell Olney & Capt. Dexter of the Rhode Island Regt are to do the Duty of Majors in the same in the Vacancies occasioned by the Deaths of Col. Greene & Major Flagg — they are to be obeyed & respected as such untill the Pleasure of the State is known —

All the Men off Duty will be formed for Manoeuvring to morrow Morning 9 o'Clock on the Ground already pointed out for that Purpose The Officers of

all Parties to attend —

Head Quarters Peek hill June 28th 1781

Parole Army. (Signd) Gates will
Cook will

Officer of the Day } Majr Genl Lincoln
Lieut Col. Smith
Majr Pierce
Inspector 2d Connect Brigade

The Commanding Officers of Brigades & other Guards will be particularly attentive in examining the Papers of Soldiers & in detaining those repassing without Permission & if any suspicion of Desertion until they can be reported to an Officer of the Day —

Country People or transient Persons coming to or going from the Army if they can not give a good Account of themselves are to be treated in the same Manner without having any Insult or outrage offered to them — The Rolls are to be called at least three Times a Day the Men to be all present or satisfactorily accounted for —

The General Presents his Compliments to the General & Field Officers of the Day & expects the Pleasure of their Company at Dinner this Day

Commanding

proceeding that in which they are on Duty —
In order to save the Consumption of Forage & to prevent the Destruction
of the Property of Individuals without a Compensation the Forage Master
are to point out the Meadows & Pastures which are to be appropriated
to the Use of the Army: none are to be taken up for the public or
encamped but in this Mode. The Forage Master General will also
take the Measures to have as great a Quantity of Grass cut as is
practicable for the Purpose of preventing Waste & extending the
Use of Forage as far as possible — The Commissary General of Issues
will take effectual Measures to procure a supply of hard Bread for
the Army until further Order — Pickets will mount daily
at the Places pointed out by Major General Lord Sterling for the
Purpose of securing the Environs of the Camp —
Also a Picket at the Bridge above Buckmans Mills on the Road
leading to Fishkill principally to prevent Soldiers straggling out of
Camp — for the present the Vacancy left in the Center of the 2d Line
for

for the Park of Artilery &c will in the Grand Parade with
the Guards will assemble every Morning at 8 o'Clock and
Each Brigade will furnish one Baker —

Head Quarters Pechskill Friday June 29th 1781

Parole Dorchester

Officers of the Day { Lieu. Easton Fairfield / Majr Gen. Howe / Col. Webb / Majr J. Porter / Inspector Lt. Waterburyfeldt

The Water Guard in future to be furnished from Major Derby's Command which is for that Purpose, & augmented immediately with 1 Capt. 2 Sub. 4 Serg. 4 Corpl. & 50 Gunners, Capt. Fry & detachm. &c ordered accordingly —

Division Orders June 29th 1781 —

The Maj Genl Parm. is happy to inform the Division of the Approbation of his Excellency the Commander in Chief of the Conduct of the Officers Soldiers in the Manoeuvres performed this Day —

The Honor the Division have obtained this Day ought to be a Motive to the strictest Attention to Duty that they may not on any future Occasion

fully the Reputation they have gained — That Major General Greene
the Division to accept his Thanks —

Division after Orders

Lieut Col. Grosvenor Major Woodbridge & Smith are requested to inquire into the Conduct of Captain Strong of the 2d Reg.t in releasing Joel Johns from Confinement charged with Desertion; & report the Facts with their Opinion thereon, to convene Tomorrow Morning 7 o'Clock at Col. Grosvenor's Tent all Parties concerned to attend — also to enquire & report respecting the Inlistment of Timothy Bradway of the 2d Reg.t

The General Court Martial of which Col. Swift is President is dissolved —

Head Quarters New Windsor June 23: 1781 —

The Commander in Chief is pleased to direct that in future the Musters of all the Troops, as well of the Troops detached from the Main Army as of those serving under his immediate Command be taken on the first Day of every Month or as soon after as Circumstances will possibly admit in Order that the monthly Abstracts & Returns required of the Inspectors may comprehend every alteration that takes place

Have in the Course of the preceding Month —

He expects that the Returns of Arms & Accoutrements, Ammunition Camp Equipage & Clothing will shew the exact Quantity of these several Articles on Hand at the Time of making the last Return & what has been since received & what remains on Hand accounting in the most precise Manner for all Deficiencies & intermediate Alterations — The Return of Provision Arrears between the Muster Rolls and agree with the Muster Rolls — To obviate the Difficulties that might otherwise arise the Army Accoutrements Ammunition, Cloths & Camp Equipage in the Possession of Men on Command are to be returned in the same State they were in when the Men left their Co until by their Return or by official Information they are found to be otherwise —

Officers Commanding Regiments & Companies are charged with the Army Ammunition, Accoutrement, Camp Equipage & Clothing Issued to the Men under their respective Commands & may be assured that every Article that is not satisfactorily accounted for will be charged to their private Account —

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An Officer having the Command of detached Parties are to be accountable to the Commanding Officer of the Corps to which the Men respectively belong for all Loss of Arms Ammunition Accoutrem. Clothing & Camp Equipage in Possession of the Men at the Time of their being Commanded. It is recommended to them to take exact Lists of the above Articles previous to their March.

The General desires that the Commanding Officers of Brigades & detached Corps oblige their Commissaries to make weekly Returns of their Issues to the several Commands which they are carefully to compare with the weekly Returns of the Troops & correct any Errors they discover & he strongly recommends it to every Officer scrupulously to examine all Returns before they make themselves accountable for their Exactness by signing them.

Head Quarters Peekskill Saturday June 30th 1781 —

Parole Guilford. Cigns { Halifax / Ilford

Officers of the Day. { Maj General Lincoln / Lieut Col Sherman / Major Oliver

Inspector from the 2d Massachusetts Brigade
for Command Lieut Col Sprout —

The General expects the Pleasure of Forming a Junction with the French Army in the Course of two Days and it is his Wish to have the American Line as full & as respectable as it is in the Power of our Number to make it; he desires that no Officer will be absent from Camp except those who are upon Detach or on other unavoidable publick Duty — and directs moreover that the Commanding Officers of Corps will make a Point of it to have all their Men in the Line who are not absent in Consequence of General Orders or upon such other publick Duty as can not be dispensed with — The General flatters himself that it is unnecessary to exhort the Officers to be careful in seeing that the Men with their Arms

Arms Accoutrements & Ammunition are in good Order, but when so
easy an Acquisition presents itself to call forth the Ambition of
the Officers & the Pride of the Soldier he hopes a bare Hint will be
sufficient

Major Platt having resigned the Office of Deputy D.M.G. to the
Main Army — Lieut. Col. Dearborn is appointed in his Room
and is to be supplied accordingly —

The Detachment under Major Porter to be relieved as these Men
will be employed on the Lines it is requested that the Detachm.t may be
composed of Men who are most capable of active Service

An Orderly Sergeant from each Division to be sent to the Adj.t General's
Quarters daily — Division Orders June 30.th 1781 —

The Division will attend Muster & Inspection on Monday the 2.d of July
next, the 1.st Brigade at 8 o'Clock in the Morning the 2.d at 3 o'Clock
afternoon — when the necessary Returns agreable to General Orders of the
3.d instant published this Day will be made out from each Department —

Aid.t Gen.l Orders

After General Order June 30th 1778—

The French Army does not come to this Ground & as the General is desirous of shewing all the Respect in his Power to those generous Allies who are hastening with the Zeal of Friends & the Ardour of Soldiers to share with us the Fatigues & Dangers of the Campaign, he proposes to receive them at some other convenient Place: and for this Purpose will march the whole Line of the American Army now at this Encampment at three O'Clock on Monday Morning next—

The Order, the Disposition & Order of March will be given Ed Major General Lord Stirling, and as it is possible the March of the French Troops may be impeded by unavoidable Accidents; the General desires that Officers & Men will take with them their Blankets & a spare Shirt a Sufficiency of Provision ready cooked to last till Thursday in Sup especially of Bread—

The Baths, Camp Guards, Officers Guards & every Man that is able to march will appear in the Line except a few of the most indifferent who may be left to take Care of the Baggage of each Brigade which is to be drawn into as narrow a Compass as may be, that the least possible Number may suffice to guard it—

Head Quarters Peekskill Saturday July 1st 1781

Parole

Signs

Officers of the Day { Brigad Gen. Patterson
Lieut Col. Reed
Maj. Throop

Inspector Massachusetts Brigade

The D.A.G. will Order the Bill Hooks & Hatchets to be sent to Kings Ferry by the Order of Major Derby who will apply to Head Quarters for Instructions

Col. Sammell will move with the Light Troops towards the Mouth of Croton River to afford Major Derby any Assistance that may be necessary in procuring Fassines — A Third Part of the Troops which march to be given at 8 o'Clock tomorrow Morning

Division Order July 1st 1781

Every Man able to march will be formed this Evening at Roll-Call — Battalion Officers more Officers than sufficient to officer the Men — The Men that is drawn from Duty, before marching will be added to the Battoons — The Men will carry their Axes with them

After Orders Head Quarters Peekskill July 2d 1781

The Army will march by the right at the hour appointed in the after Orders of yesterday - The General will beat at 2 O Clock The Assemble at half past two & the March to commence precisely at three in the following Order a advance Guard & Pioneers 1 Field Piece 6 pounder General Parsons Division followed by a Field Piece 6 lb. the Spare ammunition of Genl Parsons Division - Genl Lincoln's Division preceded by one of the Field Piece attached to it & followed by the other - The Spare Ammunition of Genl Lincoln's Division - Genl Howe's Division the Brigade commanded by Lieut Col Reed preceded by one Field Piece 6 lb - The Corps of Sappers & Miners one Light 12 lb - The Brigade commanded by Lieut Col Smith followed by a Field Piece 6 lb Rear Guard ——

The advance Guard will consist of 1 Sub 1 Serjt 2 Corpl 2 Drums 27 Rank & File from each Brigade & a Capt from each Division it will parade at half past 2 O Clock on the great Road in Front of the Left of the 4th Connecticut Brigade & be commanded by Lieut Col Reed - The present Camp Guard of the Army with the Addition of a Capt from each Division will form

form the Rear Guard & parade at 3 o'Clock on the great Road near Commissary Irvin's Quarters under the Command of Lieut Col. Thomas

The Battalion composing the Line as well as the advance & rear Guards will be careful to form their Flanks agreably to the Regulations for the Order & Discipline of the Army (Chapter 14th)

The Officers of the Day & those commanding Battalions & Flatboats will be answerable that no man quits his Flatboat on any Pretence

The D.M.G. will furnish the Route

Camp Jarry Town July 2: 1781

For Tuesday tomorrow } B.Gr. Huntington, Lieut Col. Redman, Major Forrest, Capt. Starkie

No Drum to beat without particular Order Officers & Soldiers are to refresh themselves & be within Call of their Arms which are for the present to be stacked

No Person not belonging to the Army is to be permitted to pass through the camp with Cloaths unless Certified by the General or one of the Field Officers of the Day who will examine him or her very critically & suffer none to pass of a suspicious Character or who do not give satisfactory Account

Eugene Fitz Hugh Esq Lieut in the Reg. of Light Dragoons is appointed an extra Aid de Camp to the Corps in Chief & is to be [illegible]

Major Hall for the present will do the Duty of an Aide de Camp to Major General Lord Stirling & is to be respected as such —

Peter Taulman Esq. Lieut. in late Spencer's Regt. is appointed Lieut. in the Corps of Sappers & Miners & is to be obeyed as such —

The Commander in Chief cannot but express his Satisfaction of the good Order & Regularity with which this Day's March has been conducted —

Head Quarters Valentine Hill July 3: 1781 —

Field Officer of the Day tomorrow { Major Genl Lord Stirling / Lieut. Col. Gray / Major Grosvenor / Inspectors of the Connecticut

The Continental Troops will this Evening Encamp upon their Ground upon Valentine Hill near Kings Bridge on their usual order of Encampment, all Detachments are immediately to join their respective Corps & the Field Officer of the Day is to take the Field Command in the Line Col. Stevens's Detachment excepted. —

The Duke de Lauzune & Brigadier General Waterbury will ... are to place Pickets upon the Roads leading from East Chester to Kingsbridge

The Officer of the Day will take Care that proper Guards are posted upon the Roads leading from our Front & right Flank to Kingsbridge being particularly attentive to the North River & Roads Leading from it —

The Commander in Chief takes this earliest Opportunity of expressing his Thanks to the Duke de Lauzune his Officers & Men for the very extraordinary Zeal manifested by them in the rapid Performance of their March to join the American Army — and the General does in the Occasion to thank the Officers & Men of the american Army for the Alacrity with which they have supported themselves under the Fatiguing March of Yesterday & Last Night —

The Troops who were engaged the Day merit his particular Thanks

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The Army will march tomorrow Morning at four o'Clock — The General will beat at two The Assembly at half after two and it is hoped the March will commence punctually at three in order to avoid the Heat of the Day —

The exact order of March will be furnished by the D.A.G. Genl — The Commissary's Detachment will follow the american Column & furnish a Rear Guard to it — The Camp Guard with the Addition of a Captain from each Division will form the advance Guard & be commanded by Lieut Col. Gray & form 300 yards in the Rear of the 2d Division the Road by which the Army marches on the Meeting the General —

Head Quarters Phillipsburg on y^e July 4th 1781.

Parole

Officers for the Day tomorrow

Signed

Maj. Gen. Lincoln
Lieut Col. Cornwallis
Major Brooks
Inspector 2d Connecticut Brigade

The Commander in Chief wishes the Army to be perfectly sensible that he is extremely pleased with the Regularity & Order with which the late Movement was performed he does not recollect to have ever seen a March where Discipline was more strictly observed it afforded him the highest Satisfaction never to have seen a Straggler from the Line of March & he doubts not they would have exhibited the strongest Proofs of Patriotism & Bravery had not the Enemy withdrawn themselves at their Approach — The General positively orders that any Cattle or Horses that may have been brought off from nigh the Enemy's Lines by Volunteers or any other Person except Property taken in Action shall be restored to the Owners of whatever political Character they are; if the Owners Names are not known the Cattle to be delivered to the Commissary & the Horses to the D.M. Gen.l to be properly accounted for —

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it is irksom to mention & even painful for the General to reflect how disgraceful & derogatory it would be to the Reputation of an Army who in the Defence of Freedom as well as of the Rights of Humanity & of individuals should they ever be guilty of plundering in the minutest Article

The D.W.G. will take particular Care that no Hay on the other side of the Woods & Stream of Water on the left of the Encampment are taken up for the Officers of the American Army all on that side are to be appropriated to the Officers of the French Army

Advertisement

Was last Yesterday a Mare belonging to an Officer of the Legion of Lauzerne carrying a Leaven Portmanteau very large Value in it & a Grey Blue Cloak with a broad Silver Laced Cape The Man is a Chestnut brown with a Wide Face & white forelegs & however he may have lost his will be kind enough to report it to the Adjt General

Head Quarters Phillipsburgh July 5th 1781

Officer of the Day tomorrow { Maj. Gen. Howe / Lieut. Col. Hull / Maj. Heath / Inspector Maj. Scammell

The Hour for Issuing the Parole & Countersigns & furnishing the the Adjutant General with the daily Orders will be 8 O'Clock at this Time the Commander in Chief expects that all the General Officers & Heads of every Department will attend at Head Quarters if there are no particular Reasons to prevent it & when there are that they will send some Person to represent them

The General Officer of the preceding Day will then make his Report & he that is of the Day receive his Instructions he will also receive the Parole & Signs from the Commander in Chief & immediately give them to the Adjt General The General Officers & Heads of Departments present at other Times they are to be had at the Adjt General's Office when orders will be issued as usual

The Regimental Dr Mrs will see that deep Vaults are immediately Sunk in proper Places & that the Vaults are surrounded with Bushes and covered with fresh Earth every Morning —

Division Orders July 5th 1781 —

No stone Horse is to be permitted to run at large or at Pasture with other Horses

Head Quarters Phillipsborough July 6th 1781 —

Parole

Signs

Officers of the Day tomorrow } Maj Gen Parsons
Lt Col Grayson
Maj Ashley
Inspector in Massachusetts

The Commander in Chief with Pleasure embraces the earliest publick Opportunity of expressing his Thanks to His Excellency the Count de Rochambeau for the unremitting Zeal with which

at this he has prosecuted his March in Order to form the long wished for Junction between the French & American Forces, an Event which must afford the highest Degree of Pleasure to every Friend to his Country & from which the happiest Consequences are to be expected —

The General intreats His Excellency the Count to convey to the Officers & Soldiers under his immediate Command the grateful Sense he entertains of the Chearfulness with which they have performed so long & laborious a March at this extream hot Season — The Regiment of St Onge is intitled to particular Acknowledgments for the Spirit with which they continued & supported their March without one Day's Respite

Dobbs Ferry Guard to be relieved —

Lieut Col. William Smith is appointed Aid de Camp to the Commander in Chief & is to be respected accordingly

Division Orders — July 6th 1781 —

The Muster & Inspection directed in Orders of the 30th of June last prevented by the Movement of the Army will be attended on Monday the 9th instant at the Hours in the Form therein mentioned — The Forage Master of the 1st Brigade will supply the Artillery of the Division with Forage —

Head Quarters Philipsborough Saturday July 7th 1781 —

For the Day Tomorrow } B General Glover
Col. Putnam
Majr Morril
Inspt 3 Massachusetts

No Sutler to Harbour or entertain any Person not belonging to the Army without a Pass but are to send them to the Officer of Police or commanding of the Brig. or Corps they Sutler for but to examine them, if they do not give a good Account of themselves or if there is Room to suppose them of suspicious Character

Characters They are to send them to the General of the Day for further Examination —

Lieut Rogers of the 2d Connecticut Regt is appointed Aide de Camp to Brigadier General Huntington & to be respected accordingly —

A Fatigue Party to parade tomorrow Morning at Sunrise the officer commanding will receive his Instructions from the D.A.D.M.G. who will furnish him with Tools —

Three Coopers to be sent this Evening to Commissary Irwin's Quarters — 20 Waggoners from the Line to be sent to the D.M.G. General's Quarters this Evening —

The 1st & 2d Connecticut Brigades will furnish 4 Waggoners each, the other Brigades each 3 — a Bullock Guard of a Corpl & 6 from the 2d Connecticut Brigade to be sent this Evening to Commissary Irwin's Quarters —

Head Quarters Phillipsborough July 5th 1781

For the Day tomorrow } B. Gen. Patterson
Col. H. Jackson
Majr R. Porter

For the working Party } Col. Greaton
Majr Oliver

The Surgeons who have not been furnished with Lint & Bandages will please to apply for them at the Flying Hospital one Mile in the Rear of Head Quarters —

Lieut Tho. J Jackson of Col. Sheldon's Dragoons is appointed Aide de Camp to Majr Genl Lord Stirling & is to be respected accordingly ———

The following Officers are appointed to do the regimental Staff Duty in the 5th Connecticut Regt viz. Lieut Aaron Benjamin Adjt from the 1st of Janry 1781. Lieut Ezra Lee Pay Master from the 22d Feby 1781 Lieut Reuben Anderson

1781

D.o W.W from the 1st of June 1781 & are to be obeyed accordingly

A Working Party under the Command of a Col. Major to parade tomorrow Morning 8 O'Clock on the grand Parade with their Arms & Packs to march to Dobbs Ferry there to erect such Fortifications as Lieut Col. Govion (who will attend as Engineer) shall point out

An accurate Return of the Number of Recruits that have joined the Several State Lines & the Artilery between the 1st of June & the 1st of July 1781 to be given in at the Adjutant General's Office on Tuesday next specifying what Number of them have been rejected as unfit for Service

Division Orders July 8th 1781

The Capt of the Day from the Division will apply to the Sub Inspector of the Brigade from which he is furnished for the Parole & Countersign unless otherwise furnished by the Gen or Field Officer of the Day

Three Men from the Division will be supplied to Capt Thos for Drivers to the Artilery of the Division 1 B one the 2 B two

Head Quarters Ticonderoga Monday July 9th 1781

For the Day tomorrow. Brig Gen Huntington
Capt Swift
Major for Picket Trescott
Inspect Commandant

The Guards & Pickets in Front & on the Flanks of the Army are not to suffer any Person on any Pretence whatever to pass them into Camp — If any Person appears at either of the above mentioned Guards or Pickets on Pretence of Business he or she is to be detained & the Letter or Verbal Message the Person is charged with communicated at Head Quarters —

No Person whatever is to be allowed to pass out of Camp in Front or in Flank of the Army without a Pass from the Commander in Chief or General Officer of the Day —

The Pickets N°. 5. 6. 7 & 8 to be commanded by a Major who will post a Capt & 30 at N°. 5. a Sub & 20 at N°. 6 a Sub & 20 at N°. 7 — a Capt & 30 at N°. 8 upon the Left

The Regiment on the Left of the 2d Line will take Post on the Hills in the rear of [illegible] —

Col

Col.° Jackson Lieu.t Col.° Brooks & Major Thorp will
Repair immediately to West Point & take Command in the
Detachment under the Command of Major General M.c Dougal
Capt. H. White of the 9th Massachusetts Reg.t is appointed Dep.y
Waggon Master & is to be obeyed accordingly

Division Orders July 9th 1781

Mr. Robert Hunter is to do the Duty of Ensign in the Reg.t of
Rhode Island until the Pleasure of the State is known & is to be
obeyed & respected accordingly —

The Bakers in the Division are until further Orders to deliver
120 lb. of Bread for every 100 lb. neat Weight of Flour —

Head Quarters Philipsborough Tuesday July 10th 1781 —

For the Day Tomorrow } Maj.r General Lord Stirling
Col.° Webb
Inspect.r 2d Connecticut

For Picket Major Gibbs —

Two Field Pieces in the Center of the 2d Line of the Encampment
will be fired as a Signal of Alarm in Case the Enemy should attempt
to advance in Force — The Troops thereupon will immediately
form the Line of Battle in Front of their respective Encampments &

& be ready to receive Orders or Letters as Circumstances may require — The 2d M.r General of the Canadian Army will endeavour to procure three Intelligent well affected Inhabitants acquainted with the Characters of the People in this Part of the Country & be stationed upon the Roads leading in to Camp & give Papers to those who may be safely admitted

All Officers holding Brevets & other Commissions & not attached to particular Corps or serving in the Families of General Officers are to be put upon the General Roster & to take their Tour of Duty

Head Quarters Phillipsborough Wednesday July 11th 1781

For this Day tomorrow } Maj.r Gen.l Howe
Col. Tupper
For Picket Maj.r Knapp

Return of the Number of Shoes actually wanting in each Brigade regimentally digested to be given in at the Adj.t General's Office to Morrow at Orderly Time

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry July 12th 1781—

Parole
For this Day tomorrow } Signs
Maj. General Parsons
Colonel Butler
For Patriot Majr Knott
Inspector 2 Massachusetts

Until further Orders the Troops are to be constantly provided with three Days Allowance of baked Bread & two Days Allowance of cooked Beef— Col. Seammell Detachment is to be supplied occasionally with Ammunition by the Regiments to which the Men respectively belong on Returns from Col. Seamond or some Field Officer of his Detachment—

The Clothier General will furnish Shoes agreable to the Returns of Deficiencies delivered this Day— The Regimental Clothiers will apply Tomorrow Morning for their several Quotas at Commissary Irwine's Quarters where the Clothiers Stores now are

Head Quarters Phillipsborough Sunday July 12th 1781

Orders

Officers of the Day Tomorrow { Brigr Glover
Lieut Colo Grant
Lieut Colo Scott
Major Morrill
Inspector 3 Massachusetts

Capt Smith of the 1st Massachusetts Regt is appointed to do the Duty of Inspector in the 1st Massachusetts Brigade — & to be obeyed accordingly — Capt Seth Drew of the 2 Massachusetts Regt is to do the Duty of Inspector in the 2 Massachusetts Brigade & is to be respected & obeyed accordingly —

Capt Caleb Robinson of the 2 Newhampshire Regt is appointed to do the Duty of Inspector in General Starks Brigade over Major Scott reported that Officer is to be obeyed & respected accordingly

A Surgeon from the 3 Massachusetts Brigade will this Day relieve the one on Command with Colo Sherburne —

Head Quarters Near Dobbs Ferry July 14th 1781—

Officers of the Day tomorrow } Brig General Patterson
Lieut Col. Smith
Inspector Starke
For Picket Maj. Porter

The Gentlemen who attend at the Adjut. Genrals Office for Orders are requested to be there punctually at 3 oClock PM. till further Orders— Capt. Conners of the 2d Connecticut Regt. is appointed to do the Duty of Inspector of the 2d Brigade— Capt Warner of the 1st Connecticut Regt. is appointed to do the Duty of Inspector of the 1st Connecticut Brigade— both these Gentlemen are to be obeyed & respected accordingly

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry Sabbath day July 15th 1781—

For the Day to morrow } Brig General Huntington
Lieut Col. Miller
Inspector Connecticut Brigade
For Picket Maj. Spurr

As it has been represented to The Commander in Chief that the Quantity of fresh Meat lately ordered to be drawn by the Troops will not

keep that hot Season he desires that the Commissary Genera
may cause two days Allowance of salt Beef to be Issued to
every Reg.t which is to be put into the Care of the regimental
Q.r Mr.s not to be delivered to the Troops but by Special Order
of the Commanding Officers of Brigades. & that the Troops be
Served daily with fresh Beef—

Capt.n Robert Pemberton being appointed Assistant A.G.
vice Quarles promoted & joined his Reg.t is to be respected & obeyed
accordingly— Division Orders July 15.th 1781—

The Revd. John Ellis is assigned to the 1st Brigade, & the Revd.
Mr. Abraham Baldwin to the 2d Brigade. they are to be respected
accordingly— Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry July 16.th 1781—

For the Day to morrow } Maj.r Gen.l Lord Stirling
Lieut.t Col.o Vose
Inspector Connecticut Brigade

For Picket Major Scott
Capt.n from the 2d New Hampshire Brigade & 1 from the Light Infantry corps
Capt.n Seamans this Day—

Head Quarters near Cobbs Ferry Tuesday July 17th 1781

For the Day Tomorrow } Maj Gen. Lincoln
Lieut Col. Olney
Inspector R. Massachusetts

For Picket Major Woodbridge

The Commander in Chief is exceedingly pleased with the Conduct of Major General Howe for marching with so much Alacrity & Rapidity to the Defence of the Stores at Tarrytown & repulsing the Enemy Shiping from thence. he requests General Howe & all the Officers & Soldiers of the American & French Armies who were employed on the Occasion to accept this Public acknowledgment of their Services

The gallant & spirited Exertions of Col. Sheldon & Capt. Hurlbut of the 2d Reg. of Light Dragoons. Capt. Lieut. Miles of the Artillery & Lieut. Shayler of the 4th Connecticut Reg. previous to the Arrival of the Troops in extinguishing the Flames of the Vessels which had been set on Fire by the Enemy & saving the whole of the Ordinance & Stores from Destruction entitles them to the most distinguished Notice & Applause of their General. The Alacrity & Dispatch manifested by the Officers

& Soldiers employed in erecting Works at Dobbs Ferry are highly pleasing to their General he begs that Colo Gradon Lieut Colo Govion may accept his Thanks for their Attention and Alacrity on this Occasion & that they will please to communicate to the Officers & Soldiers of the working Party & the Corps of the Sappers & Miners imployed, the gratifyed Sense he entertains of their Services —

A General Court Martial of which Colo Putnam is appointed President will assemble tomorrow 10 o'Clock AM at the President's Marquee for the Trial of Stephen Lodge of the 2d Regt of Light Dragoons & such other Prisoners as may be brought before it Lieut Colo Sprout Majr Scott 2 Capts from the 1st Connecticut Brigade 2 from the 2d Do. 2 from the 1st Massachusetts one from the 2d Do. one from the 3d Do. & two from the N Hampshire Brigade will attend as Members, all Evidences & Persons concerned to attend, an orderly Serjt from each Division will be sent to the Court

The Commander in Chief directs that in future all Prisoners charged with capital Crimes to be sent to the Provost & and to

to be tried by a General or Genl Court Martial of the Line there charged with Crimes not capital to be confined in the Quarter Guards of their respective Regiments & tried by a regimental Court Martial —

That who confine Prisoners in the Provost are to Note at the Bottom of the Charge against them the Names of the Witnesses their Rank & the Regiment to which they belong —

A Capt & 50 Men for 3 Days Command to be on the Parade precisely at 5 o Clock this afternoon they are to relieve the Picket now at Tarrytown —

Division Orders —

Each Brigade will turn out a Battalion for Exercise every Monday & Thursday at 4 o Clock PM composed of two Field & eighteen Commissioned Officers 26 Serg^ts 16 Majr & as many Rank & File as there are off Duty fit for Battalion Exercise, on every Tuesday Wednesday & Friday at the same Hour in the afternoon each Reg^t will exercise in Platoons till further Orders —

Head Quarters near Dobbs' Ferry July 18th 1781

Officers of the Day tomorrow } Maj. Genl. Howe
Lieut Col. Read
Inspector from the 2 Massachusetts

An active industrious Sergeant is much wanted to serve as Provost Marshal any Officer who can recommend a suitable Person is requested to send his Name & Regiment to the orderly Office

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry July 19th 1781

Officers of the Day tomorrow } Maj. Genl. Parsons
Lieut Col. Nuthall
Inspector 2 Massachusetts
or Lieut Major Gibbs

The Guards are to be furnished with the countersigns at Retreat Beating & no Person suffered to pass into or out of Camp after that time without giving it or otherwise satisfying the Officers of the Guard they are stopped by — The Brigade Q. Masters are to be particularly

careful in having the Offal buried as the Corps becoming offensive — Division Orders July 19th 1781 —

The Return to be delivered tomorrow at orderly Time & the subsequent ones regimentally from the Commencement Line of the Names & Rank of the Subalterns with their funeral Appointments to Ensigns 2d Lieuts & 1st Lieuts particularly distinguishing between the Dates of the Ensigns Commissions & the Time of their actual Appointments —

Head Quarters near Pebbles Ferry July 20th 1781 —

Officers of the Day tomorrow { Lt G. Glover, Lieut. of the Pendleton Inspection Division

For Picket Major Clift
For Parking Party Maj. Saddlebridge

The Regimental Surgeons are desired to be punctual in sending the Return of the Sick of their respective Regiments to the Flying Hospital every Saturday Morning — Until further Orders the Field Majors of the funeral Corps in Camp are to assemble every Day at 10 O'Clock AM in the Ward in the Rear of the 2d Line & practice under the Direction of the Inspector of Exercise who will attend for that Purpose —

A Working Party under the Command of a Major to parade [illegible]

Morning at 9 O'Clock on the usual Parade with their Arms & Knapsacks & march to Dobbs Ferry & such Instructions as the Engineer at that Place shall point out ——

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry Saturday July 21st 1781

Brigr The Day tomorrow } Lt Colonel Huntington
Lieut Col Johnson
Lt Spencer Warren

2d Lieut Mayo Knapp ——

A General Court Martial whereof Col. Putnam was President Moften Lodge a Soldier in the 2d Reg of Light Dragoons charged with Desertion & enlisting in the York Levies was fully proved guilty & sentenced to receive one hundred Lashes on his naked back ——

2d. Thomas Day of the same Reg charged with Desertion was fully proved & sentenced to receive 100 Lashes on his naked back. Cornelius Calvin Soldier in the 10th Massachusetts Reg charged with stealing Linen of Benjn Mofes Colton was found guilty of a Breach of the 3d Section 2 of the Rules & Articles of War & ordered to receive 100 on his bare Back in the same manner as the

Varying Sentences —

Head Quarters near Kingsbridge Sunday July 22: 1781 —

For the Day Tomorrow } Major General Lincoln
Lieu.t Col.o Varnum
Maj.r Talbot Youth — Inspector Carnes

Head Quarters Kingsbridge Monday July 23: 1781 —

For the Day Tomorrow } Major General Howe
Lieu.t Col.o Hull
Maj.r Morrill Inspector Smith — Brigade Inspector

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry Tuesday July 24th 1781 —

For the Day Tomorrow } Major General Parsons
Col.o Gratton
Maj.r B Porter — Inspector Capt.n Dana & Mansfield

Any Person that have taken up or shall hereafter take up any Horse or Oxen in or near Camp belonging to the publick are directed to deliver them to Major Cogswell Waggon Master General immediately after to be taken them up on Pain of being tried & punished for Disobedience of Orders —

The Commander in Chief purposes to review the Continental Troops regimentally — The Adjutant General will notify the Regiments to be assembled a few Hours before Hand when the Co (if not upon Duty) & other Officers of it & all the Men must be present or satisfactorily accounted for —

For this Purpose the Rolls of each Company must be present & called in Presence of the Commander in Chief —

The Major General of the Division & Brigadier or Officer commanding the Brigade to which the Regiment belongs are to be present at the Review & are to be informed of the Time & Place accordingly —

The Commanding Officer of Artillery at Dobbs Ferry will have a Serjeant posted on the Hill to see any Movements or Firing at the Enemy's Forts at Kingsbridge & the Moment he is certain that a Vessel is coming up the River is to fire a Gun as a Signal thereof — when least that Sound not be heard Col.o Sheldon is to dispatch a Dragoon with the Intelligence

Head Quarters near Dob[illegible] Wednesday July 25th 1781

For the Day tomorrow } B Genl Glover
Col° H Jackson
Inspector Smith

For Picket Majr Spurr

The Commanding Officers of Regts are desired to use every possible Endeavour to instruct their Recruits in the essential Parts of their Duty as fast as they join their respective Corps that they may be qualified for actual Service

Lieut Kirk Patrick late of Col° Spencer Regt is appointed Capt Lieut in the Corps of Sappers & Miners

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry July 26th 1781

For the Day tomorrow } B Genl Patterson
Col° Swift
Inspector Capt Robinson

Majr for Picket Olivier

The Court Martial whereof Col° Putnam is President will assemble tomorrow Morning 10 O Clock — A noncommissioned officer from the 2d Connecticut Brigade, Corpl Farewell of the 1st Connecticut Brigade & one Man from the 2d & 3d Massachusetts & one from the New Hampshire Brigades who are well acquainted

well acquainted with Marching To join Coll. Gray at Dobbs Ferry
this Day —

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry Friday July 27th: 1781

For the Day tomorrow } Brigd. Huntington
Lt. Webb
Inspector Warner
For Picket Major Prescott

At a General Court Martial held at Morristown 27th June 1781 of which
Lieut Col. DeHart was president Corpl. Wm. Gibbs & John Davis private both
of the 1st New Jersey Reg. were tried for marauding convicted & sentenced to
suffer Death the Commander in Chief approves the Sentences but at the
interposition of Col. Dayton in favour of Corpl. Gibbs & of the Court in favour
John Davis he is pleased to pardon them & directs them to be released
from their Confinement & join their Reg. — John Adams Deputy
Commissary of Prisoners appeared before the same Court Martial
charged with sundry Offences but no Person appeared to prosecute him
The Court are of Opinion he ought to be released from his Arrest
The Commander in Chief is of the same Opinion & orders Mr. Adams
to be released from his Arrest & to return to his Duty —

The Attendance of the Drum & Fife Majors on the Superintendant

of Musick will for the present be dispensed with that they may attend
the Instruction of the Drummers & Fifers of their respective Regts who are
to practise from 5 to 6 O'Clock every Morning & from 4 to 5 O'Clock
every Afternoon — Col° Cranes Band of Musick will attend the
Grand Parade every Morning — A Genral Court Martial whereof
Col: Henry Jackson is appointed President will Assemble tomorrow
10. O'Clock A.M. at the President Marquee or such other place as he
shall Appoint for the Trial of Capt Livermore of the 1st New Hampshire
Regt and all such Persons as may be brought before them — Lieut Col°
Cafe Olney, Majr Hamleton & Govion Capts Treadwell of the Artilery, a Capt
from Shelden's Legion, a Capt from the 1st Connecticut & one from the 2d Connecticut
Brigades — a Capt from the 1st & one from the 3d Massachusetts Brigades & one
Capt from the New Hampshire Brigade will attend as Members all Evidences
& Persons concerned will attend the Court — an orderly Serg from each
Division will attend the Court Martial —
On the 1st of August an exact Return is to be made to the Orderly Office
of all the Recruits which have joined the different States Lines & the Artilery
in the Camp of the present Month & whither any or how many have
been dismissed —

Head Quarters near Dobbs' Ferry Saturday July 25th 1781

For the Day tomorrow } Maj. General Heath
Col. Sumner
Inspector Conway
Maj. Gibbs for Picket

The Commander in Chief desires that the General Officers of the Day may every Morning Exercise the Troops assembled on the grand Parade in such Manoeuvres & Evolutions as he thinks most necessary to fit the Men for immediate Service agreable to the Rule prescribed by the Regulations for the Discipline of the Army & that the Number may be more reputed the Camp Guards of each Brigade after being formed on their respective Brigades will march to the Grand Parade to be incorporated with the Pickets & other Guards usually formed there for Exercise untill further Orders The Guards will be on the Grand parade precisely at five o'Clock when the Adjutant who accompanies the Details from the different Brigades to the Grand Parade will remain with them untill the Inspector of the Day is satisfied that their Numbers are right & that the Men are properly dressed & accoutred for Duty for which the Inspector who first formed them may be accountable

Head ~~Division~~ Order July 28th 1781 half after 5 o Clock PM
Maj[r] Genl Parsons directs that every Man in the Division be turnd
out & paraded at 6 o Clock this afternoon on their regimental Parades
with Arms —

Head Quarters near Dobbs' Ferry Sabbath July 29th 1781 —

For the Day tomorrow } Maj[r] General Lord Sterling
Colonel Butler
Inspector Capt[n] Rensselaer
For Picket Maj[r] Clift —

The Commander in Chief requests the Company of the Majors of the
Picket at Dinner this Day succeeding their Tour of Duty — —

Commanding officers of Corps are desired to see that their Men are
provided with Stoppers for their Muskets — —

Division Orders July 29th 1781 —

The Division will attend Muster & Inspection on Wednesday the 1st of
Aug[t] next: the 1st Brigade at 9 o Clock in the Morning the 2d Brigade at three
in the afternoon when the company Rolls will be furnished & the Returns from
the several Departments —

The Recruits are to be put on ordinary Camp Guards in Fourteen Days
after joining their Regim[ts] agreable to the Gen[l] Order of the last Campaign

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Head Quarters near Dobbs' Ferry Monday July 30th 1781

For the Day tomorrow } Maj. General Lincoln
Lieut. Col. Smith
Inspector Capt. Drew

To inspect Maj. Knapp

The General observes it has become a practice in the Army to send the Teams a Considerable Distance from Camp for the Sake of Pasturage during Night as it is a Circumstance that runs directly contrary to his Intentions an effectual Stop must be put to it & some Plan adopted to furnish the Cattle with Forage at their at their respective Stations there to remain from Retreat beating until Guard mounting in the Morning — until further Orders

The Troops are to beat at a Quater of an Hour after 5 o'Clock for which Reason the Musicke will not practise in the Morning until the Grand Parade is dismissed

Brigadier General Hand is extreamly sorry at the Observations he made this Morning on the Manner in which some indeed too many Corporals Give the Words of Command when, returning Sentinels were misapplied as he was at the Time explaining that

that Part of the 3d Article of the 22d Section which relates to this Manner of relieving Sentinels only; he did not then think it necessary to be more particular in the Application of his Remarks which he thinks most of the Officers in Camp must have made as well as himself - but as this Matter has by some been viewed in a different Light he takes the earliest & most public Opportunity of declaring that the Corporals only were meant

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry Tuesday July 31st 1781

For the Day tomorrow } Major General Howe
Lieut Col. Millan
Inspector Smith

For Picket Maj. Keith

The Light Companies of the 1st & 2d New York Regiments (upon their arival in Camp) with the two Companies of York Levies under the Command of Capt Cachet & Williams will form a Battalion under the Command of Lieut Col. Hamilton & Major Fish after the Formation of the Battalion Lieut Col. Hamilton will join the advanced Corps under the Orders of Col. Scammel

At a Division Court Martial held by Order of Major General Lincoln whereof Col. Putnam was President John Hanley private in the 7th Massachusetts Regt charged with Desertion was tried found guilty & sentenced to suffer Death

The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence last from this Day
good Behaviour in the Army he is induced to pardon them expecting
his future Behaviour will be such as may justify the Act of Clemency

The Brigade Majrs & Conductors & the Regimental Clothiers are
called on to deliver in Person at the A. General Office at orderly Time
to morrow an exact Account of every Article in their several Depart-
ments delivered to & returned by the different Regiments they act for
between the Time of making the last Return before the Army moved to
Pattenhill & this Day inclusive —

The Brigade Commissaries will at the same Time deliver a Return of
the Number of Rations issued to each Regiment between the 1st of June
last & this Day inclusive distinguishing the Number drawn in June
& that in July —

The Assistant D. Quarter General will himself superintend the
Mustering & inspecting the Regiments of Infantry now in Camp
on the following Days & in the following Order (viz.)
Aug. 2d PM the 1st Connecticut 2d Connecticut & 1st Pennsylvania Regt
The same Day PM the 2d Massachusetts 1st New Hampshire & Rhode Island
Regt

Regiments — August 3d AM 5th Connecticut 4th Connecticut & 7th
Massachusetts Regt — the same Day PM 8: Massachusetts 2 New Hampshire
& 9th Massachusetts Regiments — Aug: 4: AM 2d Connecticut & Regt
& 4th Massachusetts — the same Day PM the 5: 10: & 6. Massachusetts Regt

The Muster Rolls & other Accounts are to be prepared & rendered by
the Regiments except Duty the Days on which they are mustered

The Regimental Paymasters will be provided with Inventories of the
several Articles delivered by them & supposed to be in the Possession
of the Field & Staff Officers & the different Companies of their respective
Regiments as they are all to be produced at the Time of Inspection

Right Wing Orders July 31st 1781

The Three Brigades of the Right Wing are to mount Major General
Heath's Guard in Rotation — Considering the hard Duty at present
performed by the Army the Guard until further Orders is to consist
of a Serg.t Corporal & twelve Privates

Division Orders July 31st 1781

The Court of Inquiry that sat Yesterday Lieut Col Gray President reported
their Opinion that James Sardine Serg.t & Constant Roberts Soldier both of the
5th Connecticut Regt: did engage & are justly holden to serve during the War: Maj General
Parsons approves the Opinion of the Court

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry August 1st 1781

For the Day tomorrow } Major General Parsons
Lieut Col° Burrows
Inspector Robinson
For Picket Majr Morrell

At a General Court Martial whereof Col° Putnam is President
Micajah Day a Soldier in the 5th Massachusetts Regt & William Conner
a Soldier of the 3d Massachusetts Regt both charged with Desertion
were tried found guilty of a Breach of Articles 1st Section 6th of the Rules
Articles of War & sentenced each to receive 100 Lashes on his naked
back — John Carr of the 4th & Whitney Shanway Soldier of the 9th
Massachusetts Regt both charged with Desertion were tried & found
guilty as above & sentenced each to receive 50 Lashes on their
naked Backs — Mark Noble a Soldier charged with Desertion from
the 1st Massachusetts Regt & Reinlisting in the Rhode Island Regt was
tried found guilty of a Breach of the 1st & 3d Article Section 6th of the
Rules & Articles of War & sentenced to receive 100 Lashes on his naked
Back — Sterling Heath of the 2d N Hampshire Regt ~~charged with~~
~~Desertion~~ John Smith & Stephen Atkinson of the 1st N Hampshire Regt
charged

harged with desertion & attempting to go to the Enemy being convicted were sentenced each of them to receive 100 Lashes on his naked Back. James Watmore Soldier in the 1st N Hampshire Regt charged with Desertion was tried convicted & sentenced to receive 100 Lashes on his naked Back — at the same Court Ensign Samuel Thompson of the 1st New Hampshire Regt charged with overstaying his Furlough 15 Months & neglecting & refusing to rejoin his Regt when notified & required so to do by the Commanding Officer of his Regt was tried agreable to a Resolve of Congress of Decem. 6th 1779 respecting absent Officers The Court are of Opinion the Charge against Ensign Sam. Thompson is supported & do sentence him to be cashiered. The Commander in Chief approves the foregoing Sentences & orders them carried into Execution immediately — The Prohibition against plundering any Species of Property from the Inhabitants of the Country however unfriendly they may be, have been repeated so frequently & in such positive Terms that the General flatters himself there is no occasion to give any farther Caution to the Army on this Subject but he has been informed that some of the Followers of the Army & Volunteers now under the Orders of an

any Officer have taken Advantage of the Position & Movements of the Army in some Instances to Seize the Property of the Inhabitants for their own Use in order to prevent such Practices in future & to be in a Situation of rendering Service to their Country all Volunteers are to be formed into Companies under the Command of an Officer or Officers appointed by the Authority of their State or the Election of the Company — such Officers will report themselves & the State of their Commands to the Adjt. General any Person (except such as comply with the foregoing Regulations) found with or without Arms in the Front Flanks or Rear of the Army who can not give a good Account of themselves are to be apprehended & committed to the Provost —

When any Cattle or Horses are taken in Actions, recaptured or any Manner from the Enemy they are in the 1st Instance to be produced to the Waggon Master General of the American Army who will take a Description of them in writing noting particularly their natural & artificial Marks he will then Receipt for them and he has reported the Matter to the Adjt General & receive his Instructions

All Applications of People who have lost Cattle or Horses &
Suppose them to be retaken are to be made to the Waggon Mr. General
whose Register will superseed the Necessity of their being permitted
to go in Search after them through the different Encampments—
The three Persons who have been engaged to remain with the Guards
to determinate Characters & to give Passes are to attend at the orderly
Office tomorrow Morning, one of the retained Guides will continue
constantly with the advanced Corps & may be sent with the Scouting
Parties when ever the Commanding Officer thinks proper.—

Division orders Aug.t 1.st 1781—

A Capt. 3 Subs 5 Serg.ts 3 Corp.ls & 47 Privates from the Division to parade
immediately with two Days Provision Arms & Packs—

	Capt.	Subs	Serg.ts	Corp.ls	Privates
1st Pa.	1	1	2	1	23
2 Va.	0	2	3	2	24
	1	3	5	3	47

Evening General Orders Aug.t 1.st 1781—

The Court Martial whereof Col.o Henry Jackson is President
will Assemble tomorrow Morning at 10 O Clock for the
Trial of Lieu.t Bliss of the Artillery all Evidences & Persons
concerned are desired to attend—& an orderly Serg.t from each Brig.e of Artillery

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry Thursday Aug: 11th 1781—

For the Day tomorrow } Brigadier Genl Glover
For Rotation May[r] Porter } Lieu[t] Col[o]. Nicholl
Inspector Warner

The General has Reason to believe that it is too common a Practice in the Line of the Army to withhold Clothing from Men Serving in detached Corps & in some Instances not to pay the least Attention to them, particularly in the Distribution of small Supplies he can not refrain from expressing his Disapprobation of this Line of Conduct & requests Commanding Officers of Regts in future to attend to their Men on detached Service that the Supplies of Clothing &c be fully equal to those immediately Serving with their respective Regts. or a contrary Line of Conduct in future cannot with Propriety pass unnoticed ——

The Chief of the Officer of the Day mentions his observing a de[l]iberate & unnecessary Destruction of the Corn Fodder in the Vicinity

Vicinity of Camp the General considers it extraordinary that notwithstanding the repeated & very pointed Orders upon the Subject that this Circumstance is not more particularly attended to — If any thing of the Kind should hereafter be observed the Officer of the Day is requested to investigate the Matter, and if it should be found to proceed from the Inattention of an Officer he is to be immediately reported, & if a Soldier confined & with severity punished Brigade Waggon Master & Conductors are also particularly attention that the Horses & Cattle under their immediate Care are not permitted to range at Large as they will be considered answerable for any devastation that they commit on the Property of the Inhabitants — General Hand having reported that from this Days Experience he finds it impossible to muster & Inspect the Number of Regt directed in the Order of the 31st ultimo — The Division & Brigade Inspectors will be placed to

To take the Musters of the Regiments they are attached to on the Days there appointed or sooner if the Rolls are ready leaving the Inspection until the Adj.t General can attend which he is desired to do as soon as he possibly can — The Delay of Inspection will cause no Alteration in the Inspection Roll as Articles received & returned since the 31.st of July are not to be comprehended —

Strayed yesterday from Quarters of the Chevalier Charlatux a Bay Mare with a black Mane & Tail, & a pale sorrel Horse if they are found within the Lines of the American Camp it will be look'd as a Favour if they are sent to the Chevalier's Quarters —

Last Yesterday Evening two Bay Horses near 15 Hands high the One had a small Star in his forehead & his right Hind Foot white they had each when they broke loose Part of a Halter on their Heads & were seen to go [redacted] Artilery Camp Four Dollars in silver will be given & the Person that delivers them at Lord Sterling's Quarters —

[redacted] after Order for 1 Lieut 3 Serg.ts 3 Corp.ls 2 Fif.s 250

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry Friday Augt 3d 1781

For that Day tomorrow } General Patterson
                        Lieut Col. Badlam
For Picket Majr Spurr   Inspector Conerse

Lewis Seely Matross in the 2d Regt of Artilery, Benjamin Hawley & Robert Barber Matrosses in the 5th Regt of Artilery having been confined in the Provost guard at West Point & under Sentence of Death since the 28th of May last the Execution of which for some very material Reasons has been postponed — The Commander in Chief ever ready & willing to extend Mercy to Offenders wher there is room to imagine his Lenity will not be abused & being convinced from the good Conduct of the Troops that an Example is not necessary & that the Prisoners being favoured with a Recommendation from their Officers thinks proper to extend his Pardon to Lewis Seely Benja Hawley & Robert Barber hoping that their Inflam-

of his Lenity will have the Effect intended & not only be a Check to any future Impropriety but induce them to act hereafter as becomes the Character of good Soldiers The Commanding Officer at West Point will order them released & to return to their Duty

The Day before yesterday a Sorrel Horse with white Main & Tail was lost in the Wood between the American & French Camps if any Person should find said Horse he is requested to bring him to the French Head Quarters for which he will receive a Reward the Horse had Saddle Sides when he ran away he had on him a Cloth tied by a Cincingle which he might have lost in running through the Woods

Head Quarters Near Dobbs' Ferry Saturday Aug: 4: 1781

For the Day tomorrow } Brigadier Gen: Huntington
Lieu: Col: Johnson
Inspector Reemish

For Publick Notice

The Waggon Master General is to make an immediate Return of all Horses & Oxen imployed in his Department including the Riding Horses: The Quarter Masters of Brigades & Seperate Corps are to make Returns of all Horses therein & of the Persons (& Rank of Officers) of the Person by whom they are kept excepting those belonging to the Waggon Department — These Returns are to be made to the D: M: Gen: on Monday next in every Case the publick & private Property are to be distinguished as well as the Riding from the Draft Horses — by that Day the D: M: General will ascertain the Number of Horses kept by all General Staff not attached to Brigades or Seperate Corps every Horse kept by any Person belonging to or following the American Army not

included in their Returns which shall after the Time above mentioned be found within the Limits of Camp or between Camp & Croton River is to be delivered to the Waggon Master Gen.l & employed for the Publick Service no draft or Waggon Horses are to be rode on any Occasion Whatever unless when sent after Forage or to Water any Person found riding Waggon Horses on any other Occasion will be tried by Court Martial & punished for Disobedience of Order

Untill further Order Gen.l De Portail's Guard to be furnished from the Corps of Sappers & Miners

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry Aug.t 5.th 1781

For the Day tomorrow { Major General Heath / Lieut.t Col.o Jarnald / Inspector Irvine

For Tuesday Major Clark

No Persons excepting those belonging to the Army are to come into Camp from the Country above or northward of the Camp but by the

following Roads viz. N.o 1 the Road by Storms Bridge along the
East Mill River N.o 2 the Road from Youngs to the Road leading
from Dobbs Ferry to the White Plains - N.o 3 the Road directly
from the White Plains to Camp crossing the River at the Bridge
under Chatterton Hill the following Persons will be appointed to
be constantly at the respective Stations hereafter mentioned whose
Business it shall be to examine the Persons passing - if they find
them to be suspicious or dangerous Characters they are to be detained
& reported to the General of the Day & further Enquiry had. People
who innocently are bringing Refreshments to Camp to be encouraged
Mr. Isaac Degrea will be stationed at Storms Bridge on the Road
N.o 1. Mr. Joseph Paulding will be stationed on the Road N.o 2. to
Youngs at the first Intersection of it by the Road from Tarrytown
Mr. Cadar Hunt will be stationed at the Bridge above mentioned
on Brooks River near Chatterton Hill N.o 3. A Commissioned Officer
will be posted at each of the forgoing Places who will give the following
Short Ticket to such Persons as he permits into Camp ——— viz.

Varnum Bridge Aug.st 17.th 1781 The Rear. 4th Brig.e

any Person found in Camp not belonging to the Army without such a Ticket is to be taken up as a Spy & conducted to the Gener of the Day A Corporal & 6 to be at each of the above Stations to assist the Gentlemen above mentioned in the Execution of their Duty three Copies of each of the Gentlemens Tickets Shoud be given to the Genl & Field Officers of the Day that they may not be deceived by Counterfeits None to be handed out to the succeeding Officer of the Da

Brigadier General Waterbury will adopt the same Line of Conduct on the Roads leading from the Country to his Encampment —

The Rear Guard on the North River Road will suffer no Persons except such as belong or are attached to the Army to enter the Camp by that Road — — — Ensign D. Fonday of the 1.st N York Reg.t is appointed Adj.t to the Light Corps commanded by Lieut Col.o Hamil

200 Men to be drafted from the Line to assist Col.o Lutterloh a few Days

Days in collecting Forage they will receive Orders at his Quarters
tomorrow Morning 8 O'Clock — The General Court Martial
whereof Col.o Putnam is President will Assemble tomorrow
Morning 10 O'Clock —

Head Quarters near Dobbs' Ferry Monday August 6th 1781

For the Day tomorrow } Maj.r General Lord Sterling
Lieu.t Col.o Hull
Inspector Smith
For Picket Major Woodbridge —

Head Quarters near Dobbs' Ferry Tuesday August 7th 1781 —

For the Day tomorrow } Major General Lincoln
Col.o Greaton
Inspector Robinson
For Picket Major Smith

The Officers commanding Wings will direct the Slaughtering Places
of the several Brigades to be removed as far as they possibly can be
consistant with Convenience & Safety from the Line of Encampment
The Vaults are to be regularly covered every Day & all Bones and
putrid

putrid Meat burnd or buried in front nothing which can contribute to the wholesomeness of the Camp ought to be neglected at this Season — it is expected that the Officers of Police will particularly attend to the Execution of this Order —

Standing Orders Augt. 6th 1781 —

The present hot Season & Continuance of the Troops so long time on the same Ground requires great Attention to preserve the Camp clean & sweet without this Attention the Camp will soon become nauseous & consequently sickly the Butchers of the front Line are to slaughter their Cattle at a greater Distance in the Front or on the Flanks of those of the Rear Line at a greater Distance in the Rear no slaughter Yards are to be admitted between the Lines all Filth of every Kind is to be carefully buried or burnt. The Commanding Officers of Brigades & Corps are desired to enjoin a punctual Compliance with this Order —

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry Wednesday Augt. 8th 1781—

For the Day tomorrow } Major General Parsons
Col. Swift
Inspector Warner

Warning Orders
Major General Howe & the Officers of the Day viz.
Maj. General Lincoln absent.

Orders of the Day—

At a General Court Martial of the Line held in Camp near Dobbs Ferry July 23d. whereof Col. H Jackson is President Capt. Livermore of the 1st. New Hampshire Regt. appeared before the Court charged as follows. 1st. Threatening & insulting Majr. Murnan of the Corps of Engineers his superior Officer in a most outragious Manner when in the Execution of his Duty. 2d. Striking him with his Espontoon & after having broken that ~~in~~ striking him with that of another Officer whereby he received a Wound & was otherwise Injured.— The Court having considered the 1st. Charge against Capt. Livermore & the Testimony & his Defence are of Opinion that he is fully supported in

the Blame of Capt Livermore without Precaution in the
Engineer of fine & Soldiers having the care of
Thurman leaving his superior officer & in Service at the Lan-
Part with him as an Engineer with his being (as
he should again with any of the Soldiers being a Breach
of Part of Article 3d Section 18th of the Rules & Articles of
War The Court with respect to the 2d Charge are of
Opinion that the Facts stated in it did take Place but
as it appears from the general Tone of the Testimony that
Major Thurman recommended the Dispute in the Instance
will those Facts refer to did the first Act of Hostility thy
against Capt Livermore of any Criminality in those Cases the
Court for the Charge they have found Capt Livermore guilty of
do Sentence him to be dismissed from the Service
for

I am aware that (not after) from the foregoing I have and think it necessary to declare at present & in future that the Officers of the Corps of Engineers not acquainted to military Rule in other Services but a in Virtue of Congress of the 11th of March 1779 and the General Order of the 6th of June last shall retain & enjoy the same Rights Honors & Priviledges with those of other Troops on Continental Establishment since it is known that if an Officer of Engineers detached to construct a Work or upon other Duty should be elder than the Officer commanding the working or Covering Party he may command him in all (after what so ever) Should he on the contrary be younger he can only point out to the commanding Officer of the Party what ought to be done & if he refuses to execute it, he may report him to the Commander

or Chief of the command of Officer of the Detachment with which they are joining — The above Principles apply to all Officers whether of the Cavalry Artillery Engineers or Cavalry when joining together ——

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry August 9th 1781 —

For the Day tomorrow } Brigadier Genl Patterson
Colo Webb
Inspector Conway

For Brigt Major Gibbs

At a General Court Martial held at Camp Aug: 7th whereof Colo Putnam is President Capt Abner Dow of the 9th Massachusetts Regt charged with not joining his Regt when ordered to do by the Commanding Officer of the Regt was tried agreable to a Resolve of Congress of Decemr Sixth 1779 respecting absent Officers the Court on Consideration are of Opinion that Capt Dow has been absent from his Regiment without Leave since his receiving the Notification from

from Col.° Jackson that he has since been properly notified and directed to join his Reg.° agreably to the Resolve of Congress of December 6th 1779 respecting absent Officers & that he has neglected to join his Regm.° accordingly or to give satisfactory Reasons for his continuance of Absence — They therefore sentence him to be cashiered — The Commander in Chief approves the foregoing Sentence

At the same Court aug.° 6th 1781 John Frazier Matross in Col.° Lambs Reg.° of Artilery charged with ~~inlisting~~ inlisting into the Rhode Island Reg.° without having obtained a Discharge from said Reg.° of Artilery & afterwards desirting from the Rhode Island Reg.° was tried found guilty of a Breach of Article 1.° & 3. of the Rules & Articles of War & Sentenced him to receive 400 Lashes on his naked back. Corp.° Samuel Gray of the 2 Connecticut Reg.° charged with desirting & reinlisting in the Massachusetts Line was tried found guilty of a Breach of Article 1.° & 3.° of the Rules & Articles of War & sentenced to do Duty of a Private Sentinal & receive 100 Lashes on his naked back

Corp.°

Corp.l John Chace of the 1st New York Reg.t charged with Desert.n & reinlisting in the Rhode Island Reg.t was tried found guilty as above & sentenced to do Duty of a private Soldier & to receive 100 Lash.s on his naked Back Joseph Ross a Soldier in the late 5th Connecticut Reg.t charged with Desertion & reinlisting in Col.o Sheldon Reg.t of Light Dragoons was tried found guilty as above & sentenced to receive 100 Lashes on his naked Back, Peter More Mulatto in Col.o Crane's Reg.t of Artilery charged with stealing six Guineas & a silver Watch out of a Pocket of a French Soldier when asleep was tried the Court on Consideration are of Opinion the Charge against Peter More is not supported. The Commander in Chief approves the forgoing Sentences & orders them to take Place, Peter More to be released from his Confinement

Head Quarters near Dobbs' Ferry Friday Augt 10th 1781

For the Day tomorrow } Maj. Genl Lord Sterling
Col. Jo Trumbull
Lt. Spratt

For Picket Major Cliff.

At a General Court Martial held at West Point July 19 1781

Edmond Burke a Soldier in the 1st New York Regiment charged with being concerned in the Mutiny at Albany on the 6th last was found guilty being a Breach of Article 3d Section 2d of the Rules & Articles of War & sentenced to Suffer Death — — At the same Court July 21st Garret Lansing Soldier in the 1st N York charged 1st with Desertion & joining the Enemy 2d with changing his Name to John Johnson & reinlisting in the Massachusetts Line was found guilty being a Breach of the 1st & 3d Article Section 6th of the Rules & Articles of War & sentenced to Suffer Death — —

The Commander in Chief approves of the foregoing Sentences & orders that against Edmond Burke the same be carried into Execution

Court is pleased to remit the Sentence against Lansing who is to be released from Confinement

There has been Stolen from the Pocket of the Physician of the French Army a Gold Watch with a Single plain Case Mother of Pearl Lunges & Company at Geneva — If the above Watch should be offered for Sale in the american Army the Person is to be stopped & reported to the Adjutant General —

Head Quarters near Robbs Ferry Saturday Augt 11th 1781 —

For the Day tomorrow } Major General Heath
Col. Butler
Brigade Orders
For Picket Major Knapp

The Guard at Robbs Ferry is to be relieved daily & is to be visited by the Field Officer of the Day who will likewise visit the whole Chain of Guards from the North River to where our Picket join those of the French Camp — while the Army remains in its present Position Col. Shelden will consider himself under the immediate Command of Col. Swarmwell

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry Sabbath Day August 12th 1781—

For the Day tomorrow } Brigadier Genl Huntington vice L: Sterling
Lieut Col Smith
Inspector Smith

For Picket Major Keith —

The Noncommissioned Officers & Soldiers are to be served with a Gill of Rum this afternoon —

(Division Orders Aug: 12th 1781 —

The Court of Inquiry appointed in Orders the 29th of June last consisting of Lieut Col Grosvenor Major Woodbridge & Smith report the Facts & their Opinion thereon, that the Conduct of Capt David Strong in releasing Jack Johns a Deserter from the late 5th Mich: from Confinement is not censurable — —

Maj General Parsons approves the Opinion of the Court —

Head Quarters near Dobbs's Ferry this Monday Aug: 13th 1781

For the Day to morrow } The Major General Howe
                        Lieut Col. Hull
                        Inspector Robinson

For Picquet Major Ashley

The Commander in Chief having been informed that various Practices have made use of by the Officers of one Regt to inlist for the War Men who are engaged for three Years in another he thinks proper to direct that a stop may be put to such Mode of Proceeding but at the same Time recommends to the Officers to endeavour to engage for the War those Men in their own Regiments whose Services are for any other Term without burthening the Continent with any additional Expence for the Inlistment by these Means the public Service will be equally benefited & the internal Management & Luck of Regiments will be preserved. Two Dragoons from Shelden Regt are to mount daily with the Guard at Dobbs Ferry & are to be dispatched by the Officer

The General Officer of the Day & Col. Sammell with Intelligence

Capt. Leuches of the 1st New York Reg. is appointed to do the Duty of Inspector to the Light Troops under the Command of Col. Sammell —

Head Quarters near Dobbs' Ferry Thursday Augt. 16th 1781 —

For the Day tomorrow } Maj. General Parsons
Lieut. Col. Sherman
Inspector Converse

A Fatigue Party of a 100 Men under proper Officers for the next Day are to parade tomorrow Morning at six O'Clock at Commissary Irvins Quarters they will there receive their Orders —

Head Quarters near Dobbs' Ferry Wednesday Augt. 15th 1781 —

For the Day tomorrow } Brigr. General Glover
Lieut. Col. Nicholls
Inspector Reinick —

For Picquet Major Porter

The Army will hold itself in the most perfect Readiness to move at the shortest Notice — Col. Sammell's Detachment is to be immediately

immediately compleat the original Establishment by men
now Way qualified to act as Light Infantry & any Men now
in the Corps who do not answer that Description are to be
changed without Delay. Col. Tammell will make Application
to the different Corps for their Deficiencies & the Exchange
of such of the Men as are unfit for the Service he is employ-
ed. Col. Gouvion being on Court Martial Capt. Rochefontaine
will give the necessary Directions for the Employment of the
working Party Ordered Yesterday. The General Court Mar-
tial whereof Col. Putnam is President is dissolved & another ordered
to assemble tomorrow Morning 10 O'Clock at the President's Quarters
or such Place as he may direct for the Trial of such Prisoners
as shall come before them Col. Swift will preside in the
South Major Oliver two Capts. from the 1st Connecticut 2 from
the 2d Connecticut one from the 1st Massachusetts two from the 2d —
one

One from the [illegible] & two from the [illegible] Nine Brigades will attend as Mem[bers], all Evidences & Persons summoned to attend an Orderly Serg[eant] from each Division to be sent to the Court daily

Thos Dean Esq[r] will take Post at Storms' Bridge vice Ingra[ham] & Joseph Young Esq[r] will be posted at the Bridge near Chatterton Hill instead of Eadon Hunt mentioned in Order the 5th instant

Division Orders Aug[t] 15th 1781.

1st John Welch is appointed to do the Duty of Ensign in the 2d Island Reg[t] untill the Pleasure of the State is known & to be obeyed & respected accordingly.

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry Thursday Aug[t] 16th 1781

For the Day { Brig[r] Genl Patterson / Lieu[t] Col[o] Badlam / Inspector Drew

For Picquet Maj[r] Spurr

Division Orders Aug[t] 16th 1781.

East Reg[t] will furnish the Number of Men Wanting to compleat their original Detail for Col[o] Crammell's Detachm[t].

them on the Duty in Parade at 4 o'Clock this afternoon
also such Men as are exchanged for others sent to the
Reg.ts this Day — The following being the Deficiencies 1st
Connecticut Reg.t a Corp.l & 4 Men the 2d a Corp.l & two Men
the 3d One Man the 4th two Men the 5th four Men & the
Rhode Island Reg.t three Men —

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry Aug.st 17th 1781 —

For the Day tomorrow } Lt Gen.l Huntington
Lieut Col.o Farnald
Inspector Smith

For Piquet Major Olney —

At a General Court Martial whereof Col.o Jackson is President
was try'd Lieut.t Lisk of the Artilery was tried for contemptuous Behaviour
to Capt.t Jackson of the 3d Reg.t of Artilery while he was officer
of the Day found guilty of the Charge exhibited against him in
the Instance of not saluting — Capt.t Jackson on the [illegible] ga
Parole

Parade when he was Officer of the Day & Lieut Bliss of the Guard being a Breach of Part of the article 5th Section 18th of the Rules & Articles of War & do sentence him to be reprimanded in general Orders — The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence he should not have thought Lieut Bliss Censurable in so high a Degree had he omitted to salute the Officer of the Day because he doubted the Propriety of the Measure but as it appears from the Proceedings that the Refusal arose from a personal Pique to Capt Jackson. The General finds himself obliged to express his disapprobation of his Conduct upon that occasion Lieut Bliss is discharged from his Arrest ———

Agreable to the Ordinance for the appointment of the Regimental Staff the following Gentlemen of the 5th Massachusetts Regt are to be obeyed & respected in the respective Lines hereafter Mentioned Lieut Henry Marble Adjt from the 1st Day of Feby last Lieut Smith resigned. Lieut Parker Holland Paymaster from the 7th

for 25th of April last vice Capt Lieut Stone promoted Lieut Isaac Hollan Quarter Master from 25th April last vice Lieut Parker Halland appointed Day Master

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry Saturday Augt 18th 1781

Warning Orders

A Fatigue Party consisting of one Capt & Twenty five Men to parade in the Rear of the Park of Artilery immediately after orders

For the Day tomorrow } Major General Heath
Col. Greaton
Inspector Warner

For Picquet Major Maxwell

At a General Court Martial held in the Jersey Brigade at Dobbs Ferry Augt 15th 81 of which Major Hollenshead was President William Clark Soldier in the 1st Jersey Regt charged "with sleeping on his Post was tried found guilty & sentenced to suffer Death agreeably to the 6th Article 18th Section of the Rules & Articles

Articles of War — The Commander in Chief approves the
Sentence —
Of a Board of General Officers of the American Army held by
adjournment the 17th instant to consider a Dispute of Rank
between Col. Swift & Webb of the Connecticut Line the Board
report their Opinion that Col. Swift ought to take Rank
of Col. Webb — The Commander in Chief approves their
Opinion of the Board — Major John Porter will relieve
Major Olney & take Command of the Picquet this afternoon —

Division Orders August 18th 1781 —

Major General Parsons thinks proper to publish to the Division
the Opinion of His Excellency the Commander in Chief "that Capt.
Lieut. continued in Service on the new Arrangement are of
superior Rank to all Lieutenants —

after Division orders Aug. 18th 1781

Capt Lieut Daniel S. Dexter & Capt Lieut Dutee Jerauld are both appointed
Captains, Ensign Jeremiah Greenman & Ensign William Pratt, both Line

Lieutenants in the Rhode Island Regt all to take Rank from the 14th of May Last & to be obeyed & respected accordingly

Right Wing Evening Orders —
Camp near Dobb's Ferry Aug. 15th 1781

A Major one Capt two Subs three Sergts Drum & Fife & fifty R & File from the three Brigades of the right Wing to parade tomorrow Morning nine o'Clock in the front of the Connecticut Line with two Days Provisions — the Commanding Officer will call at Maj. General Heath's Quarters for Orders

Detail		Capt	Sub	Serg	Corp	Drum & Fife	Privates	
1	Connect.	0	1	0	1	1	11	17
2	D°	0	0	1	1	1	00	14
Maj. Scott to command	Hampshire	1	0	1	1	1	00	14
		1	1	2	3	3	11	47

Morning Division Orders Aug. 17th 1781 —

A Capt from each of the 2. 3. & 5th Connecticut Regts to attend as soon as may be & inspect some damaged Provision in the Hands of Commissary [illegible] Keeper of the Magazine of the Army —

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry Sunday Augt 19th 1781—

For the Day tomorrow } Maj. General Lord Sterling Parole White Plain
Col. Putnam Signs North Castle
Inspector Converse Pines Bridge

For Picquet Majr Woodbridge —

Two Companies to consist of a Capt. 2 Subs 4 Serg.ts 4 50 Rank & File are to be formed from the Connecticut Line & join the Light Troops under the Command of Lieut Col. Hamilton — it is expected that these Companies be composed of good Men either engaged for the War or three Year —

Major Gibbs is to join the Battalion of Infantry commanded by Col. Vose in the Room of Major Galvin whose bad Health obliges him to Leave that Corps —

Lieut Col. Grosvenor is appointed to do the Duty of Deputy Adjt. General to the Troops placed under the immediate Command of Maj. General Heath —

Division Orders Augt 19th 1781—

The Commanding Officers of Brigs are desired to relieve the proper Men for the detached Companies who are on Duty & have them with the

This Regiment paraded at 4 O Clock this afternoon to fire a

Three Details —

Detail for the Light Companies —

	Capt	Lieut	Sub	Serg^{ts}	Capt	Rank & File
1 Brig^{r}	1	0	2	2	1.1	20
2 Brig^{r}	0	1	2	1	0.0	18
3 D^{o}	0	1	1	2	0.0	18
4 D^{o}	1	1	2	2	1.1	18
5 D^{o}	0	1	1	1	0.0	18
	2	4	8	8	2.2	92

After General Orders —

The General Court Martial of which Col^{o} H. Jackson is President will assemble at Peekskill on Thursday next — It is expected the most punctual attention will be paid to this Order —

Major General Heath orders The Companies of New York Levies under the Command of Capt^{n} Sackett & Williams, are to be attached to & to do Duty with Colonel Sheldon's Legion untill further order

Advertisement —

Lost from Maj^{r} General Howe Quarters four Sheep — one of them a large white Wether very fat, a white Ewe, one white & one black Lamb, any person giving Information of them so that they can be found or who will bring them to General Howe Quarters will receive two hard Dollars Reward —

Evening General Orders Aug.t 19.th 1781—

Major General Lord Sterling will take Command of the Right Wing of this Army Maj.r General Howe the Command of the left Wing. Brigadier General Glover will take Command of the Division commanded by Maj.r General Lincoln & Brigadier Gen.l Patterson the Command of the two Brigade of the 2.d Line

Capt. Darnell's Company of Artillery with the ~~two~~ three Pounds are to be divided to the two Divisions of the first Line

Lieu.t Col.o Hull is appointed Deputy D.W.M. to this Army & is to be respected & obeyed accordingly—

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Camp near Dobbs Ferry Monday Augt 26th 77

Parole Paris

Signs { Rheims / Rochford / Kingsbridge

For the Day tomorrow { Majr Genl Howe / Colo Webb / Inspector Rimsith

The two Day Salt Provision & hard Bread kept in Reserve is to be Issued to the Troops immediately The Army to be held in Readiness to march at a Moment's Notice whenever the Army Moves the Rear Guards & Pickets will not only take up all Straggling Soldiers but take up & convey to the D.Q.M. all public Horses & Oxen they may find going astray

The 2 W of the 3 Massachusetts Brigade will take charge of the Pioners to be paraded immediately at Lieut Colo Hull's Marq

Three Pioners from each Regt under a Serjt or Corpl from each Brigade with Axes & Spades

Majr Smith will command the Camp Guards composing the Rear

rear Guard on the March — Detail to Escort Baggage to
parade at beating the General in front of the Massachusetts
Brigade — The Fatigue Party will parade at the same Place
at two o Clock P.M. & take Directions from Col.o Hull

Camp near Dobbs Ferry Augt. 20th 1781 —

Order of March for the Army from its present Encampmt —
The Army is to march by the left in one Column led by the 2d Line
preceded by the Provision & Baggage Waggons arranged in their proper
Order — Fifty Men properly officered under the Command of a
Capt. to escort the Baggage preserve Order among the Waggons &c
The Column to take Road by Young's to North Castle — The Officers
of all Ranks are requested to exert themselves in preserving the
strictest Regularity & good Order on the March & for that the
Regiments & Platoons keep their Distances with the greatest Exactness
That the Lines may be formed on the shortest Notice if necessary
The D.Guards commanded by a Capt. & two Subalterns will precede
the Column — The Quarter Guards commanded by a Capt. & two Subalterns

well prepared. The Columns. The Camp Guards commanded by a
Field Officer to cover the Columns. The Pickets of the Army will
move & take post as may be ordered by the General of the Day
Flank Guards will be thrown out as occasion may require
from the right & left of Platoons &c.
An Adjutant from each Brigade to attend the General of
the Day on the March they will repair to his Quarters when
the General beats they will this day wait upon him at twelve
O Clock

Baggage
Maj. General Heath's Baggage
2 Wm Gen. Stores
Commiss. Gen. &c

After General Orders Augt 20th 1781—

The Guards will parade tomorrow Morning at such Place as shall be notified & the Distribution given to the Inspector of the Day

For Brigt Major Prescott—

Head Quarters near Young's Augt 21st 1781

Parole Saratoga

For the Day tomorrow } Signs { Albany / Bennington / B Genl Glover / Col. Tupper / Inspector Drew

Three Hundred & twenty four R & File (Infantry) properly Officered Col. Sheldon's Dragoons Corps. Capt. Sackett & Capt. Williams' Companies of N York Levies are to form a Detachment to cover this Part of the Country in front of the Army Col. Putnam will take the Command of this Detachment untill further Order — after the Officers of the Detachment have taken from their Waggons such Necessaries as they may think proper the Waggons are to proceed to Pine Brook The Army will be ready to march on the shortest Notice when ordered to move — The Order of March given Yesterday

is to be observed. The General desires great Care may be taken to keep both the Battalions & Malitia up to their proper Distances & in Order to effect this the Signal and the Drums are to be given as Occasion may require for the Column to march faster or slower that at all Times the Army may form on the shortest Notice. —

Capt Donald will give one of his three pounders suitably manned for Col. Putnam's Detachm.t —

Head Quarters North Castle Aug.t 22. 1781

Parole North Castle Signs } Compound Power

For the Day to morrow } B.r Gen.l Patterson
Col.o Butler
Insp.r Gen.l Smith

In all Movements which the Army may make the General enjoins the most pointed Attention to the Preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants & strictly forbids the Destruction of Fences Gardens Fruit or Cornfields. The Officers of all Corps are

are requested to see that Order observed ——
The Officer Commanding the Escort & the Waggoners & the Conductors
will exert themselves to prevent any Misbehaving committed by
the Waggoners & to confine Offenders that they may be brought
to Punishment — The Waggons are to move with as much Regularity
as possible & the Regulations respecting them when on a March
in all Cases are to be strictly observed ——
The same Order of March to be observed this Day as Yesterday
& the Army is ordered to continue its March to Pine Bridge
The Waggons will move forward immediately to Crumpond
& the Ground assigned them by the D. Q. M. Genl. The Army will
remain on the present Ground until further Orders ——
The Brigade Commissaries will take Care to secure a competent
Supply of Provisions — Beef Cattle are to be had of Mr. Foot
at Crumpond Flour at Mr. Hopson's on the North Side of the
Pine Bridge an Escort for which Teams must be sent until
a Supply has been brought forward to Maj. Delaneau ——

Head Quarters Major Strangs Camp Crumpond Augt 22d 1781

Evening Order —

The Army will march early tomorrow Morning to Peekskill
The Parade is to be considered in the General on which the
Tents are to be struck & Baggage loaded. The same Order of
March to be observed as on this day — The General repeats
the Order of this Day against all Destruction of private
Property in which he includes the pulling the Bark off the trees
a Practice most injurious to the Inhabitants in Places where
there are but few Timber Trees —

The after Order antecedent to the Evening Order

The N Hampshire Brigade will furnish Commissary Guard a
Serg.t Corp.l & twelve Men for Bullocks guard to be at the 2d
near Crumpond Meeting House as soon as may be The Guards to
parade at 7 o Clock this Evening in front of the Tents of the 1st Line

Head Quarters Peckskill Thursday the 22d Augt 81

Parole Peckskill

Cigns { Exeter
Fairfield

For the Day to morrow } { Lt Colo Huntington
Lieut Colo Grant
Inspector Hampshire Brigade

The Troops in future are to beat at four o Clock in the Morning & the Guards be on the grand parade precisely at eight which is assigned to be near the Orchard at the Cross Road on the East of Peckskill Village — The Attendance of the Camp Guards on the grand parade in future is dispensed with —

Capt Taylor of the 10th Massachusetts Regt is to do the Duty of Inspector to the Hampshire Brigade vice Capt Parkinson sick & at his Country of Health —

Head Quarters Peekskill Sunday 25th Aug. 1781

Parole Fishkill

For the Day Tomorrow { Brigr Gosham / Genl Hull / Lieut Col. Mullen / Majr Ashley / & Inspector Warner

The General thanks the General & other Officers for their Attention and Exertions to preserve Order on the March to this Place & is much pleased with the Regularity & soldierly Behaviour of the Troops — The Army having now arrived at a Camp where they will probably remain for some Days the greatest Attention is to be paid to the perfecting the Troops in their Exercise & Manoeuvres & performing every Part of Camp Duty with the greatest Exactness conformable to the Regulations —

The Forage Master is to use it's best in their Power to obtain Quarters Forage by Purchase or Agreement with the Proprietors & to apply to the Justices conformable to the Laws of the State —

&c

The General Court Martial of which Col. Swift is President will sit tomorrow Morning 9 O Clock at the Presidents Marquee or such Place as he shall appoint to compleate the Business before the Court all Persons concerned to attend ——

The Colonels & Officers commanding Regiments in the several State Lines will by Monday next without Fail make Returns to this Dept Gen.l of the Inlisted Men in their respective Brig.s designating by Columns how many are engaged for the War & how many of those are actually present how many on Command extra Service & in Hospitals —— The Officers will be as accurate as possible & return no Men about whom there is doubt of their rejoining from their present Sickness or Absence & not lately heard of, they will also designate by monthly Columns extending the Columns to August next the Number of Men whose Services will expire —— A Form will be given by Col.o Grosvenor ——

At the General Court Martial of which Col. Swift is President

The 16.th instant was tried Francis Dodge Soldier of the 8.th Massachusetts

Regt

Regt. for Desertion found guilty & sentenced to receive one hundred Lashes on his naked Back — James Mason alias James Thurston & John Cannes two Recruits from the Massachusetts Commonwealth were tried for Desertion found guilty & sentenced to receive one Hundred Lashes each on their naked Backs —

John Record of Col. Crane's Regt. of Artillery was tried for Desertion found guilty & sentenced to receive Twenty five Lashes on his naked Back —

Christopher Starkes Soldier of the 9th Massachusetts Regt. was tried for repeated Desertion & reinlisting & Changing his Name & John Thompson, ~~was~~ found guilty of a Breach of Article 1st Section 6th of the Rules & Articles of War & sentenced to receive Twenty five Lashes on his naked Back each Morning four Mornings successively — The 4th infant Christopher Blake of the late 4th Connecticut Regt. was tried for Desertion & reinlisting in the

the New Hampshire Line found Guilty & Sentenced to receive one hundred Lashes on his naked Back — The General approves the foregoing Sentence —

The Appointment of the General Officers of the Day for the present is discontinued —

A Capt. Command for six Days is to be appointed to take post at the new Bridge on Croton —

After Orders —

One Traveling Forge from each Division of this Army three in the whole with the Horses Drivers & one Workman to each Forge are to be immediately detached & sent to Kings Ferry there to wait the Orders of the Adj. General —

The Massachusetts Brigade will furnish a Guard to Commissary Stores of a Corp. & 8 at Hawes's Landing —

Head Quarters Peekskill Saturday Aug.t 25th 1781

Parole Jersey Cigns } Hartford
                       Salem

For the Day tomorrow } Lieu.t Col.o Sherman
                       Maj.r B. Porter

The Buildings of Capt.n Hawes being assigned to the Hospital
the Provost is to be removed to some other place

Capt.n Talbot of the 5 Connecticut Reg.t is appointed an
Assistant to the Deputy Adjutant General in this Departm.t
& is to be respected accordingly —

An Orderly Serg.t from each Division will be sent to Head
Quarters daily —

The Sentences of Court Martial approved of in Yesterday's
Orders if not already done will be put in Execution
tomorrow Morning at Troop beating — —

Head Quarters Peekskill Sunday Aug^{t} 26th 1781—

Parole Boston
For the Day tomorrow } Sign } Durham / Kent
Lieu^{t} Col^{o} Nuthall
Major Dyer

Should it at any Time while the Army remains in this Camp be necessary to give an Alarm it will be announced by the Discharge of three Cannon on the right of the 2^{d} Line on which the Army will instantly form. The Horses be put to the Cannon Waggons &c—

Head Quarters Peekskill Monday Aug^{t} 27th 1781—

Parole Rhode Island
Officers of the Day tomorrow } Sign } Newport / Providence
Lieut Col^{o} Johnson
Maj^{r} J. Porter
Inspector Brew

The Army is to have two Days Salt Provisions on Hand. To which the Commissaries will pay strict Attention. The Arms & Ammunition are

are to be kept in the most perfect Order. The Guards &
Sentinals in Camp as well as the Pickets are to perform
every Part of their Duty with the most scrupulous Exactn

The General assures himself the Officers will spare no
Pains to have the Troops properly instructed. this is the
more necessary as a large Proportion of the Army have
not been long in Service and this attention while it
affords Pleasure to the Officers & renders their respective
Corps reputable in Point of Discipline most essentially
promotes the public Service ——

Care is to be taken when the Horses are sent to Pasture
to have sufficient Guards sent with them to prevent their
going astray or being stolen by the Cow Thieves ——

Great Care is to be taken to preserve the Camp clean &
sweet — its Situation renders it very practicable if

seasonably & steadily attended to —

The Court Martial of which Col. Swift is President will sit tomorrow Morning 9 O Clock at the President Marquee or such other place as he shall appoint to try such prisoners as shall be brought before them all Evidences & Persons concerned to attend, & an orderly Serg.t from each Division to attend the Court

Each Brigade to find an Axeman without Arms to Commissary Stores at Howes Landing at 5 O Clock this afternoon to be stationed & relieve the Men from the 2 Massachusetts Brigade on that Duty —

Head Quarters Peekskill Tuesday Aug.t 28th 1781 —

Parole New Hampshire
Countersigns Portsmouth Exeter —
For the Day tomorrow
Lieu.t Col.o Turnbull
Maj.r Maxwell
Inspector Smith

If any of the Recruits are not armed Arms are to be drawn immediately but they are not to carry them except on Alarms untill they are properly drilled —

Moderate

Moderate Bathing in the Water contributes to Health, the Excess of it is injurious — The Soldiers are not to stay too long in the Water & are forbid bathing between the Hours of eight in the Morning & five in the Evening — This Order to be strictly observed

The Field Officers of the Day are desired to dine at Head Quarters the Days they come off Duty —

Head Quarters Peekskill Wednesday augt. 29th. 1780

Parole — New Jersey
C. Signs { Newark / Trenton } For the duty tomorrow { L. Col. Hull / Major Smith / Inspector Taylor }

The detachment under the Command of Col. Putnam have some of the men on the sick, and some other probably may. The places of such are from time to time to be immediately supplied by other men, that the strength of the detachment as at first ordered may be kept compleat — The manoeuvring of the troops is to be strictly attended to, if a Brigade cannot afford a

Battallion it must be formd from the Division at any rate it must not be omitted — Lt. Cole Hale having resignd his appointment of Dpt. Quarter Master to this Army, the General thanks him for his unwearied endeavours to promote the publick service during the time he has been in Office — Cole Hugh Hughes is appointed Dpt. Quarter Master to this Army he is to be obeyd and respected accordingly — Majr. Campbell is to do the duty of the Department for a few days during Cole Hughes absence —

Mr. William Hays is appointed D.F.M to the Army, Cornt. Caufield White D.F.M and Mr. Joseph King Store Keeper to the Quarter Master Genl. Department they are to be respected accordingly — The General earnestly requests the attention of Officers of all ranks to prevent the property of the Inhabitants in particular the green corn, if any Soldier is found pillaging corn he is to be hut to the Gaunt — The Camp Guards are to

stop and critically examine all Soldiers coming into
Camp with Leave of Leave, and where a satisfactory account
is not given that it was honestly obtained confine and
report them —— At the Gen.l Court Martial of which
Coll Swift is President the 18th Inst. was tried Archibald Jackson
of the 1st N York Regiment, Charg'd with threatning the
lives of some Officers of the said Regiment and endeavouring
to induce others to assist him — and William Merrill of the
same Regiment charg'd with being concern'd with the former
in a mutinous libel threatning the lives of Officers of the
said Regiment the Prisoner Jackson found guilty of the
Charge in breach of Art.s 5.th Sec.n 18.th of the Rules and Articles of
War and Sentenced to receive One hundred Lashes on his
naked Back
and be sent on board a Continental Frigate to serve during
the Term of his Indictment in the Army — The Court are

of opinion the charge against Merrill is not supported, The General approves the foregoing Sentence and Opinion of the Court and orders that Merrill be released from confinement— At the same Court on the 17th 18th & 20th Inst. was tried Lt. Bagnale of the Maryland line charged with Neglect on his part when he commanded the Camp Guard of the 2d Corps the Court are of opinion the Charge against Lt. Bagnale is not supported and do acquit him of it— The General approves the Opinion of the Court and orders Lt. Bagnale released from Arrest—

After orders

Head Quarters Peekskill Aug 24th 1781—

Two hundred & fifty Rank & File, properly officered with the Command of a Lieut Col & Major with two Days Provision cooked are to be made to morrow at 12 oClock PM they are to be chosen robust Men, Col Gaston will take Command of the Detachment such other as may join it— The Col will call at Head Quarters for Orders— Capt Parnell with a Subaltern will join the Detachment— Detailed Lt Col Monroe & 1st Regt—

Head Quarters Pittsfield August 30th 1781

Parole France —
C. Signs { Spain —
Sweden —

For the day tomorrow { Col. Tupper
Majr. Scott
Chaplain Warner —

A number of Millwrights Coopers Ship Carpenters & Boat Builders are immediately wanted, the Names of such as are in the Army & the Regiments they respectively belong to are to be given in tomorrow at Orderly Time —

The Horses of the Army which are sent to graze in the Pastures in front of the Army at any considerable Distance, are to be brought up at Night to some secure Enclosure near the Army. The Horses are not in any Case to be sent to graze below Colonel Hawes without a special Order from Head Quarters —

The Guards and Picquets to stop all horses &c. belonging to the public which they see going astray and send them to Capt. White D. M. M. — The great increase of Selling and Drawing Horses in the vicinity of the Army renders it necessary that some restriction be laid on them — The General therefore strictly forbids the Practice of Selling Horses or Drawing Horses near the Army

selling Rum or Spirituous Liquors to any Non Comm.d Offic.rs or Soldiers unless Such Non Comm.d Offic.r or Soldier produce permission to purchase Signed by a Comm.d Offic.r — The Officer of the Day and C.d will communicate this Order to the Inhabitants who keep Selling houses & dram Shops — All detached Guards and Picquets are to send out Patroles in the night time on the Roads near them — The Camp and other Guards near the Army are to patrole so as to communicate to each other, and upon the flanks of the Army — The interval between the Camp Guards and Lines of the Army render it necessary — The Inspection will Make the Several Regiments of this Brigade the 5.th of September next — the Inspection returns of Arms Accoutriments, Ammunition and Camp Equippage will be made out, and that of the Cloathing as Soon as the former Company returns are transmitted from the Adjutant General — The Inspection to be completed as Soon as may be —

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Head Quarters Peekskill Friday [illegible] 21st 1781

Parole Chelsea

For the Day Tomorrow } [illegible] Denmark
[illegible] Portugal
[illegible] Spain
[illegible] Thompson
Inspector Converse

Returns of regimental Q.M. are to be made weekly to Dep. Comptr. of the Flying Hospital at Eq. Camp to which Place the wants of each are to be sent accordingly —

The Field officers of the Day are desired carefully to observe the Position of the Guards Pickets & Sentinals remove the latter as they may judge proper & report any Removal of the former where they think it necessary —

The General observes that the Troops are in great Want of Shoes & Stockings & as there are none on Hand they will please to endeavour the obtaining such as may be necessary immediately from their respective States — The Scarcity of Forage & the Probability of it being more so points out the Necessity of the most Oeconomical Use of it — no Forage is to be issued from the public Magazines except to such as are entitled to receive it nor for more Horses than are allowed by the Regulations

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Wagoner Detachments are ordered on Commands which render it necessary the Men should take Provision with them — The Qr Masters will be careful to see that the Men come on the Parade properly supplied. that the March of the Detachments may not be unnecessarily delayed ——

Head Quarters Peekskill Saturday Septem.r 1.st 1781 ——

Parole Philadelphia — Signs Chester Delaware

For the Day tomorrow Lieut Col.o Miller, Major Smith, Inspector Hemrich

The Regiment of Militia under the Command of Lieut Col.o Wyth which is to rendezvous at this Place will as soon as the Tents are encamp near the Massachusetts Brigade on the left of the Line as may be most convenient. This Regt is to be attached to the 2.d Massachusetts Brigade but the Men are not to be detailed for Duty but occasionally directed ——

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Head Quarters Peekskill Sunday Sept. 2. 1781

Detail
C. Vigo { New London / New Haven / Fairfield

For the day to-morrow { Lt. Colo. Lowe / Major Ridley / Captain Lowe

Ensign Levi Bradley of the 4th Regt. Regiment is to take charge of the Vessels and boats ordered to be kept at Peekskill Landing, a Serjeant Corporal and twenty good Oarsmen are to be immediately detached from the Army and placed under Ensign Levi Bradley Command for the Purpose of keeping the Vessels Constantly at all times in perfect readiness for Service —— The scarcity of Forage in and near the Camp obliges the General to forbid any Horses being kept in or near the Camp by any persons belonging to the Army not entitled by the Regulations to keep Horses although such Horses are kept at their own expence as the good of the Service requires it the General assures himself every one will chearfully acquiesce in this Order

The 7th & 8th Massachusetts Regiments are to hold themselves
in readiness to march at the shortest notice, this however
is not to take them off the details until further Orders—

The Officers of all guards Pickets and Patrols and
the Officers in general are desired when they see any
Strangers in the Camp or passing them, that such
who from their appearance afford grounds of suspicion
to question such persons respecting the place from whence they
came and the[ir] going, and if on examination their grounds
of suspicion are censured send them to the Officer of the
day for further examination—— At the General Court
Martial of which Col Swift is President the 28th of August last was
tried James Roland of the 8th Mass. Regt for desertion found
guilty and Sentenc'd to receive One hundred Lashes on his
naked back—Joseph Bowers of the 3d Mass. Regt for desertion
leaving his Arms and Accoutrements and endeavouring to

ged to the Enemy, the Court acquit him of treason in
to get to the Enemy but find him guilty of Desertion &
a breach of Art. 3. Sec. 12 of the Rules and Articles of war
for losing his Arms and Accoutrements and Sentence him
to receive One hundred Lashes on his bare back and be
under Stoppages to the amount of half his monthly pay
until his Arms and Accoutrements are found &c — Wm Jas
Dalton and Daniel Ray both of the 2d Canad. Regt were tried for Desertion
found guilty and Sentenced to receive One hundred Lashes
each on their naked backs — The General approves
the foregoing Sentence and Orders them put in execution
On the 28th & 29th of August Lieut. Susan Lopez, Annibal
Robigney & Thomas Brow all of the 2d Regt of Artillery
were tried for Desertion found guilty and Sentenced to
receive One hundred Lashes each on their naked backs

The General approves the Sentence but suspends the Execution until further Orders — Joseph Lange Soldier of the 7th Majr. Regt was tried for sleeping on his post at Sergeants No 6 — The Court find the Prisoner guilty of a breach of the first part of Art. 6th Sec. 13 of the Rules and Articles of War and do in consideration of his youth and candour only Sentence him to receive fifty Lashes on his bare back — The General approves the Sentence and orders it just in Execution remitting twenty five of the fifty Lashes —

The Officers composing the Court Martial of which Cole H. Jackson is President will be put on duty in the Line —

Head Quarters

Parole Kingston
For the Day Tomorrow } Lieut Col. Marshall
Major Morrell
Inspector Smith

The Regimental Clothier will immediately make out Returns of the Men entirely destitute of those in the Continental Regiments that they may be supplied from the Continental Store. The Returns are to be signed by the regimental Clothier & countersigned by the Commandant of Regiments.

The 7th Massachusetts Regt will remain tomorrow morning at West Point. The 2d Brigt will furnish Boats to assist for the Transportation of the Baggage &c.

There being at this Time several Captaincies vacant in the Massachusetts Line to which the Lieutenants have respectively been of a Grade senior to first Lieutenants Brigadier Generals Glover & Patterson with Lieut Col. Hull are appointed a Board to settle & determine the relative Rank of the Officers

of Lieutenants of the said Line & Report that Commission for their Promotions may be made accordingly.

The Board will also take into Consideration the Claim of Lieut Walker & report thereon; and also hear & determine the Dispute of Rank between the Subaltern Officers of the Massachusetts Line conformable to the Report of the Board of General Officers to the Commander in Chief —

If there are any Blacksmiths in the Army acquainted with shoeing Oxen, they are to be immediately sent to Maj. Campbell at Danbury at the Continental Village for the purpose of shoeing the Oxen of the Army —

The Sentences of Duncan Lapier Hannibal Robbigney & Thomas Brown approved ~~& put in Force~~ & suspended in Yesterdays Orders are to be put in Execution

Head Quarters Peekskill Tuesday Sept 4th 1781

Parole York

Countersigns Plymouth
Hyder

For the Day tomorrow } Lieut Col. Johnson
Maj. Waite
Deputy Robinson

Such of the regimental Clothiers as have not made their Returns for Shoes agreable to the General Order of Yesterday are to make them by 4 O'Clock this afternoon to the D.A.General

The regimental Clothiers will apply tomorrow together to David Brooks Esqr. D.C.Clothier at Newburgh for their Shoes & have them issued to those who are destitute without Delay, in doing of which regard is to be had to those Men who are on Commands Extraordinary &c

Complaints have been made of the wanton Conduct of some of the Guards & Waggoners sent out to take Care of the Horses especially on the 30th ultimo at the Widow Pells. The Officers commanding Brigades are requested to give the most pointed Instructions to the Officers & non commissioned Officers commanding the Horse & all the Guards

Guards to prevent the Men of their respective Guards & the Waggoners committing Abuses (which are most likely to happen in such detached Commands) and to enjoin & send to the Provost all Offenders — Inquiry is also to be made what Guard was at the Widow Pells the 30th ult.o and the Name of the Officer or non-commissioned Officer who commanded it —

Lieu.t Col.o Webb will please to form a Company of Rangers from the Regiment of Militia under his Command — The Company to consist of one Capt.n 2 Subs 3 Serg.ts Drum & Fife & 54 Rank & File The Men to be the most robust & sprightly in the Reg.t and such as have been most acquainted with Service — The same Rule is to be observed in the Choice of the officers, as this Company may be ordered on very active Service — if the Regiment is not yet sufficiently strong to admit of the Choice of the whole number of Men who are suitable The Company is to be formed only in part until more arrive when it is to be completed —

The Capt.n Lieut.t & Subalterns of the Massachusetts Line to have relative

... claims of Rank is to be settled by the Board of Officers appointed by the General order of yesterday will please to send their Claims & Pretensions of Rank to the President of the Board as soon as may be — It is to be observed that the Disputes of Rank which is to be heard & determined by the Board are not to be taken further back than the Arrangement of July & August 1779 —

Head Quarters Peekskill Wednesday Sept. 25th 1781 —

Parole Trenton

Countersigns { Saranac / Bergen

For the Day tomorrow { Col. Gaston / Major Prior / Inspector Warner.

All the Regiments of Militia doing Duty in the Army or in Garrison at West Point are immediately to form each a Company of Rangers as directed by the General Order of yesterday to Col. Webb's Brigade — The Officers commanding Companies of Rangers will be very assiduous in instructing their Companies in the several parts of their Duty as soldiers & the Regulations of the Army ...

in Time it is not doubted they will make great Proficiency —
The Militia off Duty are also to be daily exercised in small
Squads & Companies or Drill some Sergeants from the regular
Troops shall attend if the Commanding Officers of the Militia
desire it — The Officers commanding Regiments & Corps of
Militia will be very careful to have noted on their respective
Rolls the Time when each Man arrives in Camp — — —
Should there at any Time be an Alarm, the Waggoners &
Teamsters will with all possible Expedition repair to the Army
with the Horses & under their Charge. to which the D. M. Master &
Conductors will punctually attend & instruct their Waggoners
accordingly — A Surgeon or Mate from the Army on Rotation
is to be with the Garrisons at Ticonderoga & Stoney Points —
The Printers of the Annual Register in Boston having requested a
List of the Names & Ranks of the Officers of the Massachusetts Line with a
View to have it published it is desired that the Commanding Officers of
Regiments would as soon as may be convenient send to Lieut Col Commandt
Brooks at West Point Lists of the Names & Ranks of the Field Staff &
Captains and Officers of their respective Regiments as they are established
regimentally —

Head Quarters Rocksbell Sunday 23d Sept 1781

Parole Ohio

For the Day Tomorrow } Capt Hutchison
Major Spurr
Inspector Conquest

In addition to the Officers called for in the General Order of the 30th Sept. The Names of all the Commissioned Officers and Staff belonging to the regular & militia Regiments with their Stations Rank & which they belong is to be given in the Day after Tomorrow at orderly Time those who are considered as Brigade Officers are not to be included

Capt Louis Nicholas of the Invalid Regiment tried at a general Court Martial appointed by Maj. General McDougall at West Point the 21st Inst whereof Capt Hutchison was President on the following Charges exhibited by Capt Lt Wm Eppes

1st That he has detained me of my Right without Order of a Company in the year 1778 & gave it to a junior Captain

2d That he has done the same with the Men past and given my former Company to Capt Lt Wm Craven ——

3 That he has discharged from the Service Twelve strong young
Men fit for the Field & put Fifteen in his Pocket.

4 That he has made false Returns of Men both for Provision & Cloaths

5 That he has drawn Pay considerably for absentees Deserters & others
which never returned to the Regiment after Desertion.

6 That he has taken George Sandilles late D.M.G. Serg.t out of the
Guard House where was confined for adulterating Officers
Rum; without Trial or Punishment tho' the Regim.t were defrauded
by said Serg.t for 355 Gills of Rum & two Gallons of French Brandy
notwithstanding Capt. Nichola's both the Sergeant Part not only
to clear him from Punishment but also solicited the Court to give
him an honest Character. when I appeared him he left the Court
& walked off without a Word more well knowing in so doing
he did not act the honest Part

7 That he neglected his Duty last Winter in not providing the Officers
on Guard at the new Goal with Candles & Fire Wood

8 That he has kept both the Money paid him to pay the Regt in
his own Hands & applied it to his own Purposes for a considerable
Time before he paid it to the Regiment

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9th That he has been illegally called due Elections for Explanation when Capt. McKenlan was elected Paymaster Col. Nichola took the Oath from said Office & officiated himself as Paymaster

10th That he rather practises the Passion of Partiality than to obey Orders - The Enquiry will clearly shew the 3d of July orders were that the 4th instant the two eldest Captains should command the Firing at the Gate House for rejoicing - Lieut. Colo. Pugh neglected Duty & put a Direct Insult on the two eldest Captains in summoning two junior Captains for which I requested Col. Nichola to put said Lieut. Colo. Pugh in Arrest which he refused

The Court having considered the Nature of the several Charges exhibited against Col. Nichola with the Evidence & his Defence on mature Deliberation are of Opinion that Col. Nichola is not guilty of the 1st 2d 3d 4th 5th & 6th except the former part (viz) that he has taken George Saville late Lieut. of the 69th Regt. out of the Guard where he was confined for adulterating Officers Rum (without Trial or Punishment) but are of Opinion he was justifiable in doing it: and of the 7th 8th 9th & 10th Charges are not

of

of Opinion that the Charges are groundless & vexatious and do honorably acquit him—

The General approves the Opinion of the Court & orders Col. Nichola released from Arrest immediately—

After Orders Head Quarters Peekskill Sept. 6th 1781—

The Army will remove from its present Ground tomorrow Morning to Croton & encamp on the high Ground back of Jonathan Tarrs. The 2 Bdes with the Brigade & regimental 2 Bdes will march on the Ground this afternoon—

The Army is to encamp in its present Order in two Lines

The Waggoners are to be notified this Evening to bring in their Horses seasonably in the Morning—

Maj. General Lord Sterling Genl of the Day tomorrow

Head Quarters Peekskill Friday Sept. 7th 1781—

Morning Orders—

The Army is not to decamp untill further Orders (the Order of Yesterday & the contrary notwithstanding)—

Head Quarters Peekskill Friday 12th July 1781

Parole Cambridge

For the Day Tomorrow } Lt. Col. Sumner (Signed) Connt Danvers
Maj. J. Porter
Brigadier Remick

Capt. John Fuller of the 4th Massachusetts Reg. Tried at the Gen. Court Martial whereof Col. Swift is President charged with 1st Confining Lieut. Col. Millen Waggoner on the 4th Instant for his being absent from Roll Call when he was sending Col. Millens Horses by his particular Order of which Capt. Fuller had Information —

With reproachful & provoking Speeches & shaking his Fist at Lieut. Col. Millen in a very contemptuous Manner after he had repented & ordered Capt. Fuller to his Tent —

The Court having considered the Charges against Capt. Fuller The Evidence & his Defence, their Opinion is as follows with respect to the 1st Charge Happears to them that Capt. Fuller confined Lieut. Col. Millen Waggoner on the 4th of Instant for being absent from Roll Call: but it does not appear to the Court that Capt. Fuller knew that he was Lieut. Col. Millens

Waggoner at the Time he ordered him to be confined — Although it appears that Capt Fuller had Information that the Cause of the Man being Absent was his being out with Lieut Col Miller's Horses; Capt Fuller confining the Man after this Information the Court think was very improper Conduct & a Breach of Article 5th Sect 18th of the Rules & Articles of War —

They are of Opinion that Capt Fuller is guilty of the 2d and Charge exhibited against him being a Breach of Article 5th Sect 18th of the Rules & Articles of War —

The Court do sentence Capt Fuller to be reprimanded in General Orders —

The General Approves the Sentence of the Court — Good Order & Discipline being the greatest Ornament to an Army & polite Language & Behaviour the Characteristick of the Officer & the Gentlemen The General is sorry that Capt Fuller in any Degree deviated from them — Capt Fuller is released from his Arrest —

At the same Court Charles Grant Bombadier Francis Kiernan Gunner & John Parcells Matross all belonging to the 3d Regiment of Artillery were tried for Desertion attempting to go to the Enemy and stealing a Boat and Sails — The Court do adjudge the prisoners

Charles Grant for the Crime of Desertion and attempting to go to the Enemy which they find him guilty & guilty of ~~a breach~~ of a Breach of Article 1st. Sec. 6th. of the Rules and Articles of War and for stealing a Boat and Sails which they find him Guilty of - Guilty of a breach of Article 21st Sec. 13th. of the Rules and Articles of War and do Sentence him (upwards of two thirds agreeing) to suffer Death —

The Court are of opinion that the Prisoner Francis Vernon is guilty of the charge of desertion and attempting to go to the Enemy being a breach of Art. 1st. Sec. 6th. of the Rules and Articles of War - they are of opinion that the charge of stealing a Boat and Sails is not proved and do acquit him of it, and they do Sentence him (upwards of two thirds of the Court agreeing) for the charge they have convicted him of to suffer death — The Court do adjudge the Prisoner John Parells for the crime of Desertion and attempting to go to the Enemy which they find him guilty of, guilty of a breach of Art. 1. Sec. 6th. of the Rules and Articles of War - and for stealing a Boat and Sails which they find him guilty of, guilty of a Breach of Art. 21st. Sec. 13th. of the Rules and Articles of War & do Sentence him (upwards of two thirds of the Court agreeing

suffer Death — The General approves of the forgoing Sentences —

After General Orders Peekskill Sept 7th 1781 —

One Hundred & twenty R & File properly Officers under the Command of a Lieut Col or Major to parade at five O Clock this afternoon with two Days Provision the Commanding Officer will apply at Head Quarters for Orders —

Forty R & File properly Officers with three Days Provision will parade tomorrow Morning at Guard mounting they will receive orders on the Grand parade

Maj Maxwell to command the Detachment ordered at 5 O Clock this afternoon —

Dep Adjutant Genl Aug 19 1781